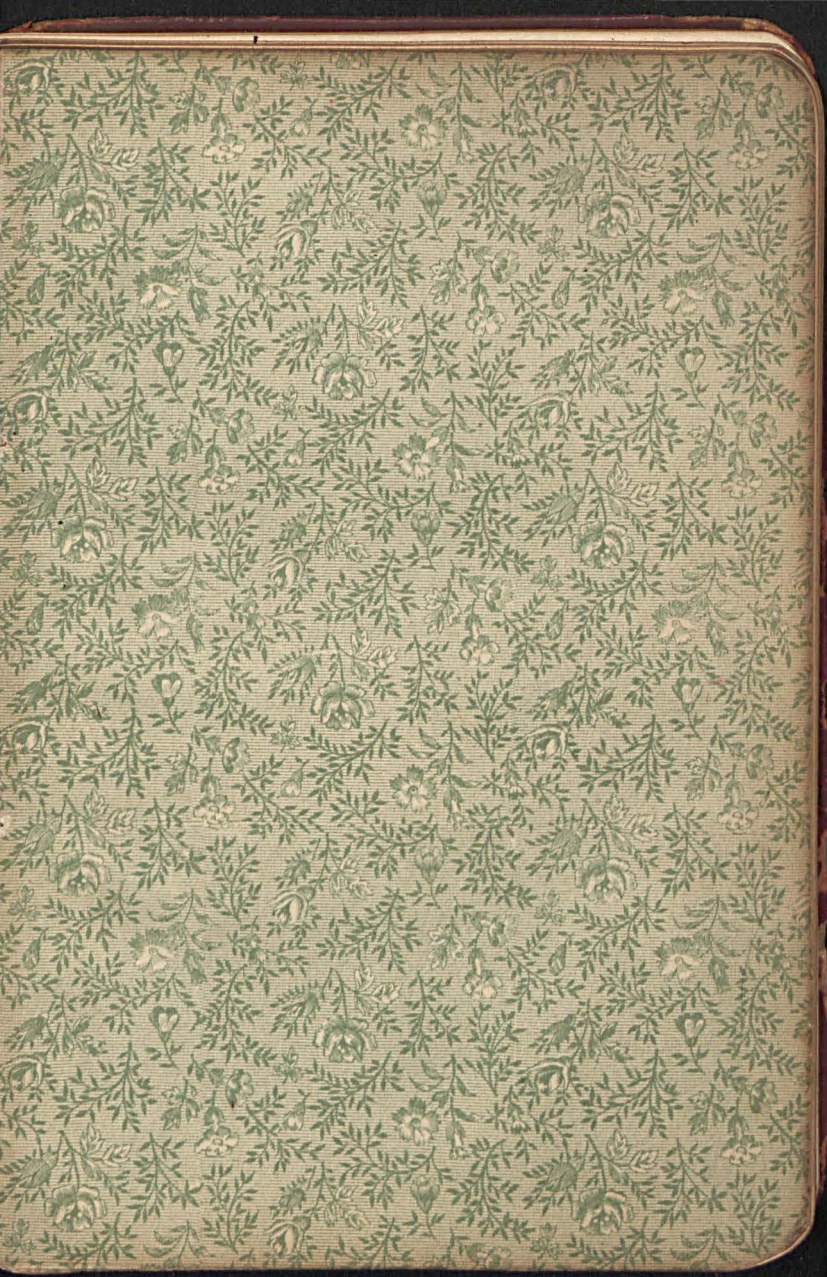


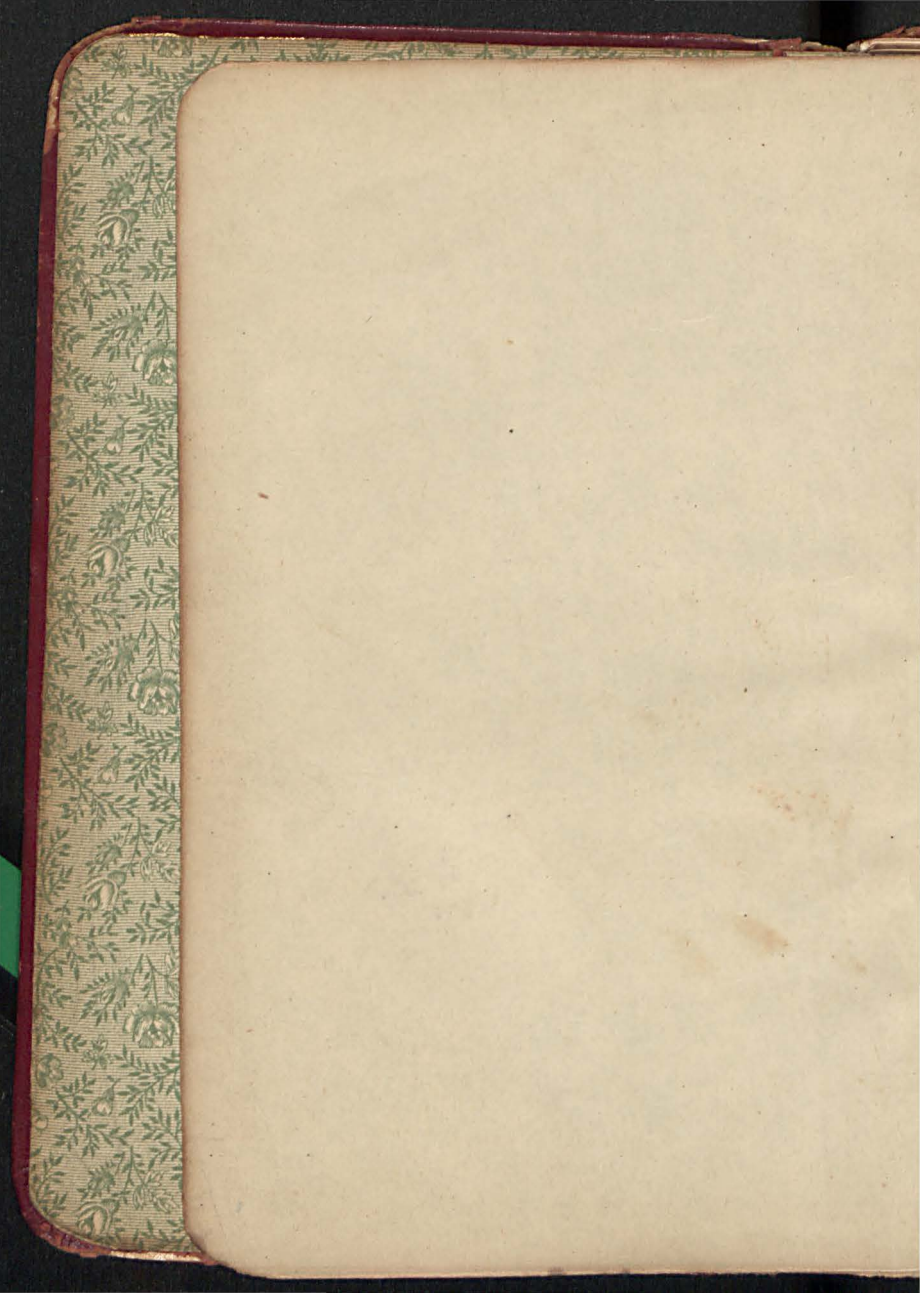
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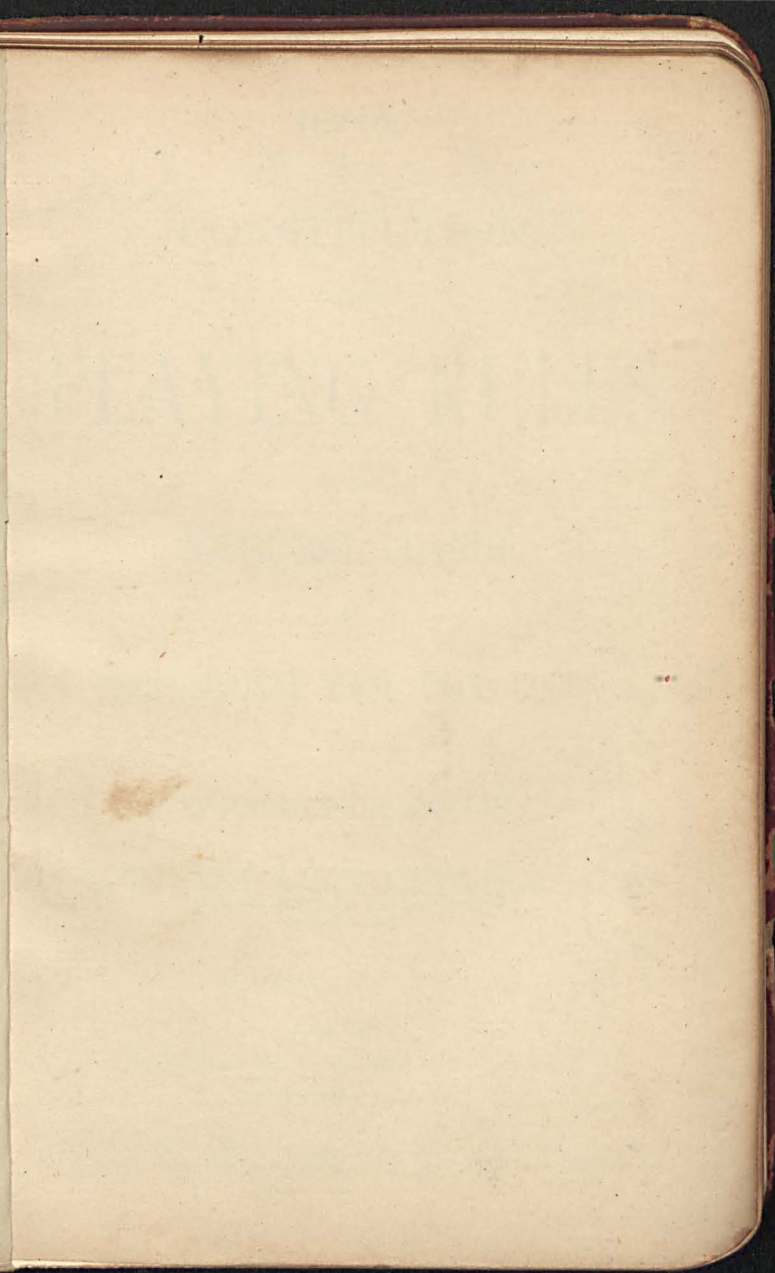
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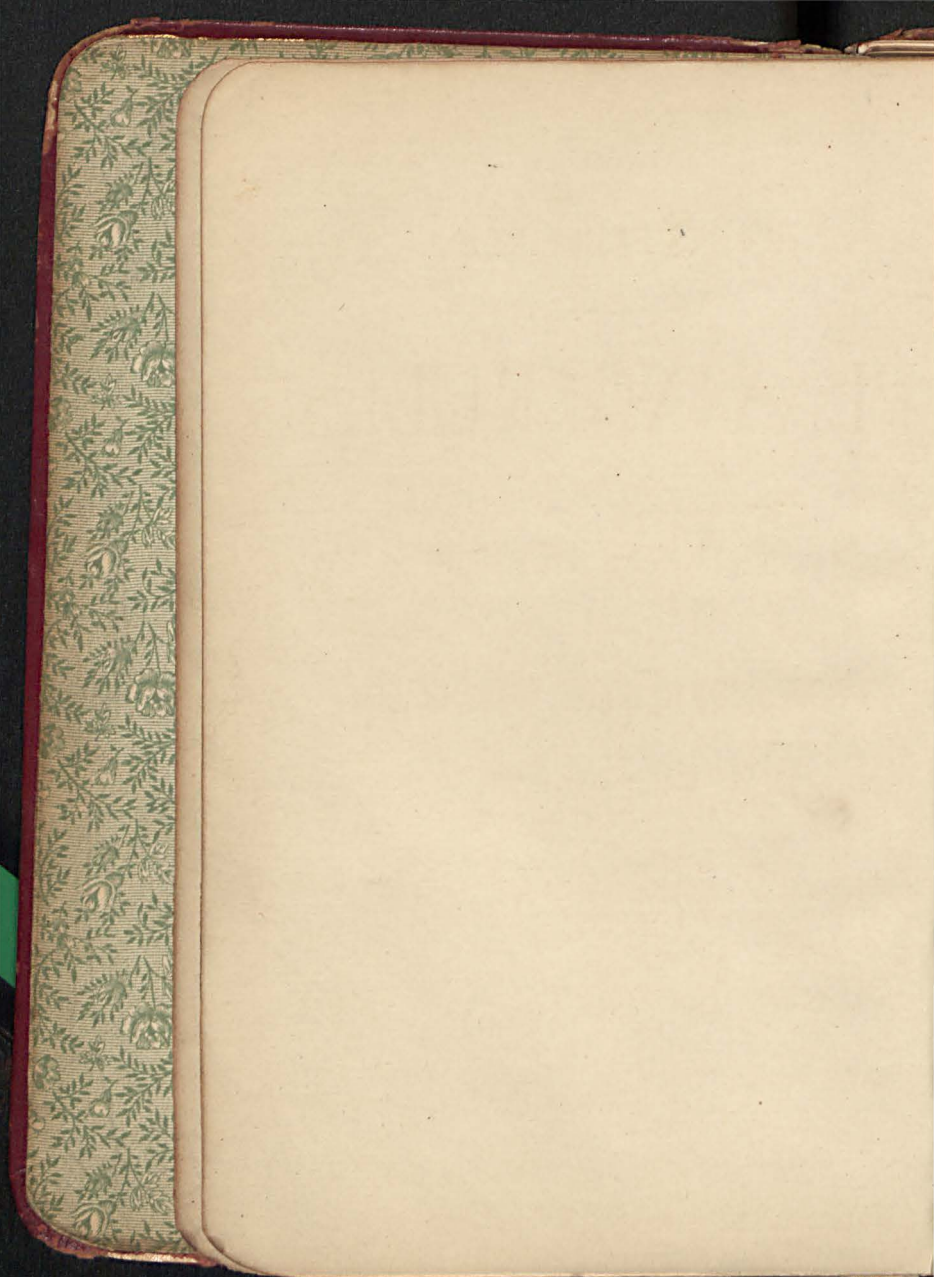
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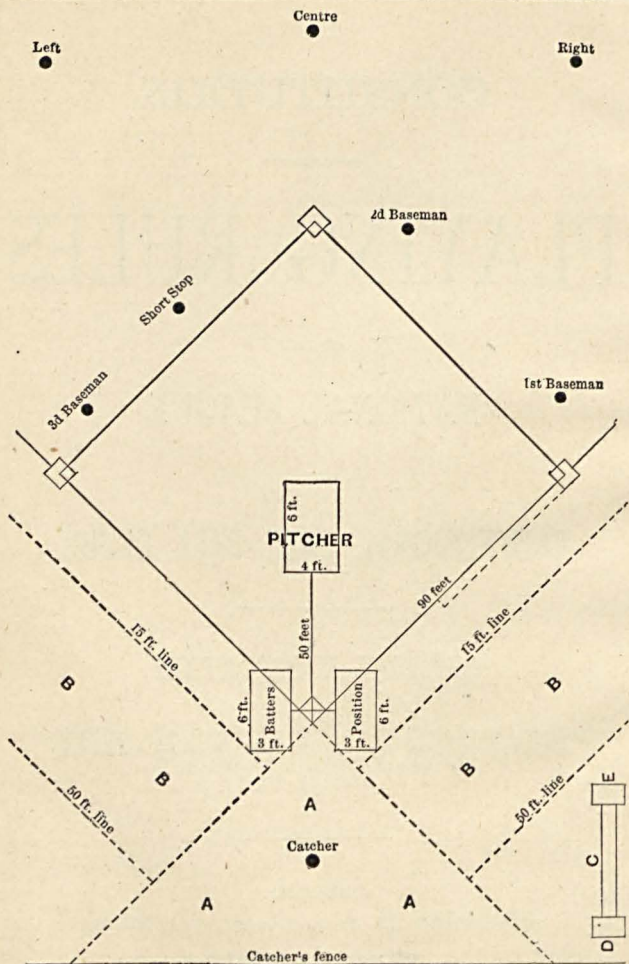
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 B. B. B.—Ground reserved for Captain and Assistant.
 C.—Players' Bench. D.—Visiting Players' Bat Rack.
 E.—Home Players' Bat Rack.

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CONSTITUTION
—OF THE—
NATIONAL LEAGUE
—OF—
PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS,
1884.

NAME.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be called "THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS."

OBJECTS.

SECTION 2. The objects of this League are:

1. To encourage, foster, and elevate the game of base ball; to enact and enforce proper rules for the exhibition and conduct or the game, and to make base ball playing respectable and honorable.
2. To protect and promote the mutual interests of professional base ball clubs and professional base ball players, and,
3. To establish and regulate the base ball championship of the United States.

MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 3. This League shall consist of the following named professional base ball clubs:

- Boston B. B. Association, of Boston, Mass.
- Buffalo B. B. Club, of Buffalo, N. Y.
- Chicago Ball Club, of Chicago, Ill.
- Detroit B. B. Association, of Detroit, Mich.
- Cleveland B. B. Association, of Cleveland, O.
- Providence B. B. Association, of Providence, R. I.

New York Ball Club, of New York City.
Philadelphia Ball Club, of Philadelphia, Pa.

And such other professional base ball clubs as may from time to time be elected to membership.

SEC. 4. No club shall be admitted from either of the cities above named, other than the clubs mentioned, except in the event that either of such clubs shall lose its membership, and in no event shall there be more than one club from any city.

SEC. 5. No club shall be admitted from any city whose population is less than seventy-five thousand (75,000), except by unanimous vote of the League.

SEC. 6. No club shall be admitted unless it shall first have delivered to the Secretary of the League, at least five days before the annual meeting, a written application for membership, signed by its President and Secretary, accompanied by documents showing that such club bears the name of the city in which it is located, and that it is regularly organized and officered, and, where the State Law permits it, chartered. Such application shall at once be transmitted by the Secretary to the President of the League, who shall forthwith refer it to a committee of three members of the Board of Directors, appointed by him, who shall immediately investigate and report upon said application; said report to be communicated to the League through the Secretary.

SEC. 7. The voting upon an application for membership shall be by white and black balls. Two black balls shall be sufficient to exclude the applicant, and no club shall be required under any circumstances, to state how it voted upon such application. Such election shall take place at the annual meeting of the League: *Provided*, That should any eligible club desire to join the League after the adjournment of the annual meeting, it may make application in writing to the Secretary of the League, who shall at once communicate such application, together with any facts in his possession concerning such applicant, to the President of the League, who shall refer it to a special committee of the Board, as provided in Section 6; and upon receipt by the Secretary of the report of said committee, he shall transmit such application and report to all League clubs, each of whom shall, within ten days, transmit one written ballot, for or against the admission of such applicant, to the Secretary; and if two adverse ballots be not cast, then the Secretary shall, upon receipt of the annual dues, notify such club of its election.

SEC. 8. In case any League club shall forfeit its membership during the championship season, the Board of Directors may elect a non-League club to temporary membership in the

League, which election shall entitle such temporary club member, without the payment of League club dues, to play all the championship schedule games remaining unplayed by the retired League club, upon the same terms and conditions as League clubs, except that such games shall not count in the championship series, and such temporary membership shall terminate at the next annual meeting of the League

SEC. 9. The umpires, managers and players employed by the clubs belonging to this League shall be considered and treated as members hereof to the extent of being always amenable to the provisions of this Constitution, and entitled to all its privileges in matters of dispute, grievance or discipline, as provided in this Constitution.

SEC. 10. The membership of any League club shall be forfeited:

1. By voluntary withdrawal.
2. By failure to have a representative present at the annual meeting of the League.
3. By disbandment.
4. By offering, agreeing, conspiring, or attempting to lose any game of ball, or failing to immediately expel any player who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to lose any game of ball, or of being interested in any pool or wager thereon.
5. By taking part in any game of ball on Sunday, or allowing any game of ball to be played upon its grounds on Sunday, or failing to immediately expel any person under contract with it who shall, at any time during the term of his service, take part as umpire, player, or scorer, in any game of ball on Sunday.
6. By selling, or allowing to be sold, upon its ground, or in any building owned or occupied by it, at any time during the championship season, any spirituous, vinous, or malt liquors.
7. By allowing open betting, or pool selling, upon its grounds, or in any building owned or occupied by it.
8. By employing or presenting as umpire, manager or player, any person disqualified or ineligible under any provision of this Constitution.
9. By playing any game of ball with any club that is disqualified or ineligible under any provision of this Constitution.
10. By failing to present its nine at the time and place agreed upon to play any championship game, unless the failure be caused by an unavoidable accident in traveling.
11. By failing to pay to the visiting club the amount due

such club under the provisions of Section 60 of this Constitution.

12. By failing to pay its annual dues on or before the 1st day of May of each year.

13. By failing to pay its share of the expenses of umpires as provided in Section 61.

14. By failing or refusing to comply with any lawful requirement or order of the Board of Directors.

15. By wilfully violating any provision of this Constitution, or of the Playing Rules adopted hereunder.

SEC. 11. The membership of any umpire, manager or player of this League shall be forfeited upon the disqualification of such umpire, manager or player, under any of the provisions of this Constitution.

SEC. 12. To carry into effect the provisions of Sections 10 and 11 of this Constitution, the facts in any case covered by such sections must be reported to the Secretary of the League, who shall at once telegraph the party charged with the specified offense, inquiring whether any dispute exists as to the facts alleged. In case the facts are disputed, the Board shall at once try the case under such regulations as they may prescribe, and submit their findings to each League club, which shall transmit to the Secretary written ballots, "For Expulsion," or "Against Expulsion;" and if two-thirds of all League clubs vote "For Expulsion," the Secretary shall notify all League clubs of the forfeiture of membership of the party charged; and every club shall, on or after the receipt of such notice, govern its intercourse with such expelled member by the prohibitions and penalties prescribed by this Constitution. *Provided*, that in all cases where the facts do not admit of dispute (as in case of non-payment of dues), or where no reply to the Secretary's dispatch to the party charged with the offense is received by him within twenty-four hours, or where the facts are not disputed, the Secretary shall forthwith issue his notice of forfeiture of membership without submitting the matter to the Board, or to the League.

SEC. 13. Any club, umpire, manager or player, having forfeited membership, shall not be readmitted, except by unanimous vote of the League.

SEC. 14. A list to be designated "the black list," shall be kept by the Secretary of the names of any persons who may be declared, by an affirmative vote of five League clubs, at any regular or special meeting, to be unworthy of service in the League, as umpire, manager, or player, and any person so named shall be disqualified for employment by, or service in

any League club, until his name be removed from such list by unanimous vote of all League clubs at a regular or special meeting. (See paragraphs 4, 7 and 12 of League contract.) The Secretary shall immediately notify all League clubs of any name placed upon or removed from, such list of disqualified persons.

DUES.

SECTION 15. Every League club shall pay to the Secretary of the League, on or before the 1st day of May of each year, the sum of One Hundred Dollars, as annual dues.

OFFICERS.

SECTION 16. At its annual meeting, the League shall elect a President by ballot. The President shall be *ex officio* chairman of the Board of Directors. He shall preside at all the meetings of the League, and shall call special meetings of the League when he may deem it necessary, or when thereto requested by half of the clubs of the League.

Should the office of President become vacant by death, resignation, or removal, the Board of Directors shall within thirty days, elect a President.

SEC. 17. The affairs of this League shall be conducted and controlled by five Directors, who shall constitute "The Board," and who shall consist of the President and four members, to be chosen at the annual meeting, in the following manner: The name of each club, except that of which the President is a member, shall be plainly written upon a card, in full view of the delegates present, by the Secretary; the cards to be of the same size, shape, color and material. The cards shall then be placed in some suitable receptacle and well shaken together; thereupon four of these cards shall be drawn successively, and at random, and one delegate from each of the four clubs whose names are so drawn, shall, with the President, compose the Board, and if any club whose name is thus drawn be represented by two delegates, such delegates shall name one of their number to be a member of the Board: *Provided*, That at any time after the adjournment of the annual League meeting, any League club represented on the Board may substitute another representative; such substitution to be attested by written notice to the Secretary, signed by the President of the League club, and, upon the receipt of such notice by the Secretary, such substitution shall take effect, and the Secretary shall thereupon notify all League clubs.

SEC. 18. No person shall be qualified to act as Director, who is not an actual member of the Club he represents; nor

shall any club, under any circumstances, be represented by more than one person on the Board.

SEC. 19. The Board shall have the general supervision and management of all the affairs and business of the League, and shall be individually answerable to the League for the faithful discharge of their trust.

SEC. 20. The Board shall meet annually on the evening of the third Tuesday in November, at the place where the annual meeting of the League is to be held, but may hold special meetings whenever urgent necessity may require.

SEC. 21. The Board shall prepare a detailed report of all their doings, and present the same, in writing, to the League, at its annual meeting, which report shall, if accepted be filed with the Secretary together with all official papers, documents and property which may have come into their possession by virtue of their office.

SEC. 22. Any Director who shall disclose or publish any of the proceedings of the Board, except officially through the report of the Board, or when called upon by vote of the League, shall forfeit his office.

SEC. 23. In case of a vacancy in the Board by reason of the death, resignation, absence, or disqualification of any Director, the club of which he was a member at the time he was chosen shall designate his successor, and at once notify the Secretary. But if such vacancy is caused by the withdrawal, disbanding or disqualification of a club represented on the Board, the Board may fill the vacancy by election in the same manner as provided for the election of Directors in Section 17.

SEC. 24. The Board shall elect a gentleman of intelligence, honesty and good repute, who is versed in base ball matters, but who is not in any manner connected with the press, and who is not a member of any professional base ball club, either in or out of the League, to be the Secretary of the Board and of the League.

SEC. 25. The Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the League, and as such shall be the custodian of all funds of the League, receive all dues, fees and assessments, make such payments as shall be ordered by the Board, or by vote of the League, and render annually a report of his accounts.

SEC. 26. The Secretary shall have the custody and care of the official records and papers of the League; shall keep a true record of all meetings of the League and the Board, shall issue all official notices and attend to the necessary correspondence; he shall prepare and furnish such reports as may be called for by the Board, and shall be entitled to such books, stationery,

blanks and materials as the actual duties of his office may require.

SEC. 27. The Secretary shall keep a record of all infractions of the rules and regulations of the League that may come to his notice, and shall (except in cases covered by Sections 12 and 14) make a report on the same to the President, who shall present it to the Board at its next meeting.

SEC. 28. The Secretary shall receive such salary as the Board, by vote, shall determine, and shall be reimbursed for all traveling expenses actually incurred by him in the service of the League; and the Board may exact from him such guarantees for the faithful performance of his duties as they may deem for the interest and safety of the League. At the expiration of his term of office, he shall account for and deliver up to the Board all the property and papers which may have come into his hands by virtue of his office.

LEAGUE CLUBS, UMPIRES, MANAGERS, AND PLAYERS.

SECTION 29. Each club belonging to this League shall have the right to regulate its own affairs, to make its own contracts, to establish its own rules, and to discipline, punish, suspend or expel its own manager, players or other employes, and these powers shall not be limited to cases of dishonest play or open insubordination, but shall include all questions of carelessness, indifference, or other conduct of the player that may be regarded by the club as prejudicial to its interests: *Provided*, That all club regulations must be made subordinate to and in conformity with the general regulations established by this League, and no club shall prescribe any rule or regulation in conflict with any provision of this Constitution, or the Playing Rules.. (See also League contract.)

SEC. 30. Every club member of this League shall have exclusive control of the city in which it is located, and of the territory surrounding such city, to the extent of four miles in every direction from its corporate limits, and no visiting League club shall, under any circumstances—not even with the consent of the local League club, until all League championship games on that ground shall have been finished, be allowed to play any club in such territory other than the League club therein located, nor shall a visiting League club play any game in April or October with any non-League club in such territory without the consent of the local League club.

SEC. 31. An Agreement may be made between a club and a manager or player for services by the manager or player, and compensation therefor by the club, by telegram or other writing, and notice of such agreement may be sent by telegraph to

the Secretary of the League, specifying the term of service agreed upon, and the Secretary shall, immediately upon the receipt of such notice notify all League clubs and all Associations, parties to the "National Agreement of Professional Base Ball Associations," that the said club has contracted with the said player for the period specified, and the contract thus made and promulgated shall be valid and binding upon all. *Provided*, That within thirty days from the date of making such agreement, the club and the player shall further evidence such agreement by the execution of a contract in the form prescribed by the League (see League contract), and the Secretary of the League shall, upon application, furnish each League club a suitable supply of the printed forms of contract adopted by the League, and in the event that the said player shall refuse, within the said thirty days, to sign the said formal League contract, the said club shall notify the Secretary who shall at once place the name of said player on the "Black List," and the player shall thereupon become disqualified, and the Secretary shall issue notice of such disqualification as provided in Section 14 of this Constitution.

No player, not under one of the two forms of contract specified in this Section, shall be eligible to play in a League game, except that in case a player shall meet with an accident, or be expelled by his club, any player who is not otherwise disqualified, under the provisions of this Constitution, may take the place of such expelled or injured player; but such player shall not be eligible to play for more than five championship games in the nine of such club, without the contract and notice thereof required by this Section or Section 32.

SEC. 32. It shall be the further duty of a club as soon as it shall have entered into a formal League contract with a manager or player, to transmit said contract to the Secretary of the League. If the Secretary shall find the contract to be in the form adopted by the League, he shall indorse upon it his certificate to that effect, together with the date of its receipt by him, and at once return it to the contracting club. The Secretary shall also enter upon his records the names of the contracting club, and manager or player, and immediately notify all other League clubs of such contract, unless the notice specified in Section 31 has already been issued. In no case shall the Secretary give such certificate, or give notice of such contract, unless it comply, in all respects, with the form of contract adopted by the League, and no such contract shall be regarded as valid or binding until it bears the Secretary's certificate as herein provided.

SEC. 33. Any player while under contract with a League club, who shall, without the consent of such club, agree to enter

the service of any other club after the expiration of such contract, shall be liable to expulsion by said League club. Whenever a club releases a manager or player without notice, or gives him twenty days' notice of release, in accordance with paragraphs 15 or 20 of the League contract, and whenever it suspends or expels a manager or player, that club shall at once notify the Secretary, stating in case of release, the date when the same takes effect, and in case of suspension or expulsion, the cause thereof, and the Secretary shall at once notify all other clubs of the League.

SEC. 34. A manager or player who has been released from his contract, without suspension or expulsion, may engage with any other club, ten days from the date of the reception by the Secretary of the notice of such release, and the Secretary shall issue his notice of such release on the date of its reception by him. A player released under paragraph 15 of the League contract, shall not be eligible to play in the nine of the club releasing him, during the said 10 days, but if released under paragraph 20 of the League contract, he shall be eligible to play in the nine of the releasing club during the period for which the club pays him, and the Secretary's notice of release shall be issued and dated on the day such period expires, and such player shall be eligible to contract with another club ten days after the date of the Secretary's notice.

SEC. 35. A manager or player whose contract has become void by reason of his club's disbanding, withdrawing from or losing its membership in the League, may engage for the remainder of the season with any other club ten days after the date of the League Secretary's notice of such disbandment, withdrawal or loss of membership, *Provided*, That, should any club withdraw from this League to become a member of any other association that is a party to the "National Agreement of Professional Base Ball Associations," the contracts then existing between such club and its manager and players shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 36. No manager or player who has been suspended or expelled from a League club, or suspended by the League under the provisions of Section 14 of this Constitution, shall, at any time thereafter, be allowed to play with or serve any League club (either the one expelling him or any other) unless the term of suspension by the club has expired, or upon his appeal to the Board, such suspension or expulsion shall have been set aside, or, in any case under Section 14 his name shall have been removed from the black list by unanimous vote of the League, as provided in said section.

SEC. 37. No club shall employ as umpire, manager, scorer, or player, any person who has wilfully violated any provision

of this Constitution, or of the Playing Rules, or who has been expelled from any club belonging to this League, or who shall be disqualified from playing with a club under any provision of this Constitution.

SEC. 38. No game of ball shall be played between a League club and any other club that has been expelled from membership in this League. No game of ball shall be played between a League club and any other club employing or presenting in its nine a player expelled or under suspension from the League. Nor shall any League club play any club that has, at any time during the same playing season, played a game of ball with any other club employing or presenting in its nine any player expelled or suspended from the League: *Provided*, That in case the club employing such expelled or suspended League player shall discharge such player from its service, League clubs may thereafter play against such club, and against other clubs that may have played such club while employing such player.

SEC. 39. Any manager or player who may consider himself aggrieved or injured by any act of his club, or of any officer, agent or employe thereof, shall make his complaint thereof to the President of the club when the club "nine" is at home. Any manager or player, under contract with a League club, who shall, without the written consent of such club, leave its service, or who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring, or attempting to lose any game of ball, or of being interested in any pool or wager thereon, shall be at once expelled by such club.

SEC. 40. Any manager or player under contract with a League club, whose name shall be placed upon the black list provided for in Section 14 of this Constitution, in the manner therein provided, shall, immediately upon receipt by such club of the Secretary's notice of such action, be discharged by such club from its service. (See paragraphs 4, 7 and 12 of the League contract.)

SEC. 41. Any person under contract with a League club, who shall be guilty of drunkenness, gambling in any form, insubordination, or of any dishonorable or disreputable conduct (except the offences requiring expulsion, specified in Section 39) may be suspended by such club for the remainder of the playing season, or for the remainder of that and all of the ensuing playing season, at the option of such club; and during the period of said suspension, such person shall be disqualified from playing in or against or serving any League club: *Provided*, That the club having made the suspension shall not have power to rescind it, or to curtail its duration. (See paragraph 6, League contract.)

In case the Club fails to take cognizance &c

SEC. 42. Any person who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to cause any game of ball to result otherwise than on its merits under the Playing Rules, or who, while acting as umpire, shall wilfully violate any provision of the Constitution, or of the Playing Rules adopted hereunder, shall be forever disqualified from acting as umpire of any game of ball participated in by a League club.

DISPUTES AND COMPLAINTS.

SECTION 43. The Board of Directors shall be the sole tribunal to determine disputes between clubs; the facts to be submitted, and the dispute adjudicated under such regulations as the Board shall prescribe in each case. The finding of the Board shall be final, and under no circumstances shall be reconsidered, reopened, or inquired into, either by the League or any subsequent Board.

SEC. 44. The Board shall at once consider any complaint preferred by a club against a manager or player of another club for conduct in violation of any provision of this Constitution, or prejudicial to the good repute of the game of base ball, and shall have power to require the club to which such manager or player may belong, to discipline him, and, upon repetition of such offense, to expel him: *Provided*, That such complaint be preferred in writing, giving such particulars as may enable the Board to ascertain all the facts, and be transmitted to the Secretary, by whom it shall at once be referred to the Board.

SEC. 45. In case a player under reserve for the ensuing season by any League club, shall prefer a complaint, in writing, to the Secretary of the League, against said club, alleging:

1. That such club is in arrears to him on account of his contract for the current season, or

2. That he has offered to enter into contract with such club for the ensuing season at a compensation of one thousand dollars for seven months' service, but that the said club has declined either to enter into such contract, or to release him from reservation. The Secretary shall at once transmit to the said club a copy of such complaint and require an answer thereto. On receipt of such answer, or, if one week shall have elapsed without the receipt of an answer, the Secretary shall refer the papers in the case to the chairman of the Board. The Board shall, thereupon, try the case under such regulations as they may prescribe, and, should they find the player's complaints sustained by the facts they shall release the player from reservation and instruct the Secretary of the League to issue notice of such release, in like manner as if the player had been voluntarily released by the club. The Board shall also, should

they find the club in arrears to the player, require the club, under penalty of forfeiture of its membership, to pay to the player, within ten days, the full amount ascertained to be due him.

SEC. 46. In case a player under contract with a League club shall prefer a complaint, in writing, to the Secretary of the League, against such club, alleging that such club is in arrears to him on account of such contract, the Secretary shall act in the matter as provided in the preceding Section, and, should the Board find the player's complaint sustained, they shall require the club, under penalty of forfeiture of its membership, to pay to the player, within ten days, the full amount ascertained to be due him: *Provided*, That should the player refuse to serve the club pending action by the Board on his complaint, he will thereby forfeit the benefits of the award, and, in such case, the Board shall revoke its award.

SEC. 47. The Board shall also be the sole tribunal for the hearing of an appeal made by any person who shall have been expelled or suspended by his club. The matter shall be proceeded with in the following manner: Such person shall, within thirty days after the date of the expulsion or suspension file with the Secretary a written statement of his defense, accompanied by a request that an appeal be allowed him. The Secretary shall notify the club of the request for an appeal, accompanying such notice with a copy of the appeal, and, at the next annual meeting, the club, by its duly authorized representative, and the appellant in person, by attorney or by written statement, shall appear before the Board with their testimony. The Board shall impartially hear the matter and render their decision, which shall be *final* and forever binding on both club and player.

SEC. 48. No director shall sit in the trial of a cause in which his club is interested.

SEC. 49. Any expenses of trials or arbitrations shall be borne equally by the parties to the controversy.

SEC. 50. In all disputes, complaints or questions arising under "The National Agreement of Professional B. B. Associations," between this League and any other association of clubs, party to such agreement, or between any club of this League and any club of any other Association, party to such agreement, the adjudication thereof shall be left entirely to the Joint Arbitration Committee provided for by such agreement, and this League will comply with and be bound by the award, findings or verdict of such committee in any such case, so long as this League continues a party to such "National Agreement."

PLAYING RULES

SECTION 51. The League, at its first meeting, shall adopt a code of Playing Rules, which shall continue in force subject only to such alterations or amendments as may be made at subsequent annual meetings of the League.

CHAMPIONSHIP.

SECTION 52. The *Championship of the United States*, established by this League, shall be contended for yearly by the clubs composing this League. *may*

SEC. 53. The *championship season* ~~shall~~ extend from the 1st day of May to (and including) the 15th day of October, and no game shall count in the championship series unless played during the championship season: *Provided*, That if the 1st day of May occurs on Sunday, the championship season shall begin April 30; and if the 15th day of October occurs on Sunday, the championship season shall end October 16.

SEC. 54. Every game played between two clubs from the commencement of the championship season to the completion of the championship series between such clubs, shall be a game for the championship, and no League club shall lend or exchange players, to or with each other, for any game played during the championship season.

SEC. 55. Each club shall play sixteen championship games (and no more) with every other club: *Provided, however*, That if any game be prevented by rain, or if a tie or drawn game be played, the visiting club shall play off such tie or drawn game, or game prevented by rain, on the first succeeding day (not counting Sundays, days previously agreed upon for championship games between said clubs, or days when rain renders playing impossible), within the dates of the same schedule series between such clubs, if any remain open; and if not, such game may be played off on any open date between any two series on the same grounds: *Provided*, That if such a game be due on the completion of the first schedule series between two clubs, and be not played off until the next schedule series between such clubs on the same grounds, it shall be played off on the first open date of such series, if there be any.

SEC. 56. Each club shall have half of the championship series of games with every other club played on its own grounds; and in all the details of such games that do not involve the rights of the visiting club under the Playing Rules, but relate solely to such games as attractive exhibitions to the patrons of the home club, the visiting club shall defer to the wishes of the home club, and the visiting club shall furnish to

a person designated by the home club the batting order of its nine by 10 o'clock on the morning of the day of each game. In case of the failure of any visiting club to furnish the batting order of its nine as herein stipulated, it shall forfeit the sum of ten dollars, which amount shall be immediately transmitted to the Secretary of the League upon the receipt of notice from him of the infliction of such fine, which notice shall be given by the Secretary upon receipt of complaint from the home club.

It shall be the duty of the home club to furnish the manager and captain of the visiting club with a list of the batting order before the commencement of the game. The visiting club shall have the right to practice its nine on the grounds of the home club between 11 and 12 o'clock A. M. on each day of its visit during the championship season.

SEC. 57. All championship games shall be arranged for in writing, and so as to complete the championship series by the expiration of the championship season. Such written arrangement shall be made by such method as the League shall direct, before the beginning of the championship season, and shall consist of a schedule and agreement relating thereto, which agreement shall be signed by every League club, and the schedule and agreement filed with the Secretary of the League, and a copy thereof, bearing his certificate as to its correctness, furnished by the Secretary to every League club. The schedule shall provide for an equal number of return games, and specify the date of each game, and the dates of each series of games. No date in said schedule shall subsequently be changed, except (1) by written agreement of two clubs, from a date fixed by the schedule for a game between such clubs to another day between the first and last date of the same schedule series between such clubs; or (2) as provided in Section 55; or (3) by the written consent of all the League Clubs.

SEC. 58. The price of admission to championship games shall be fifty cents for each adult person, and no money or tickets paid for admission shall be refunded in any case in which the game is interrupted by rain.

SEC. 59. In correspondence between clubs, all letters and telegrams concerning umpires, dates, and other matters pertaining to championship games, to a club at home, must be addressed to and answered by its President, or by an officer of such club designated by its President to act for him in such matters, the Secretary of the League to be notified of such designation. If such communication be made by another club when at home, they must be addressed by and answered to its President or his representative as above provided; and if the corresponding club be absent from home, they must be addressed by and answered to its manager.

SEC. 60. At the conclusion of each championship game, the Home club shall deliver to the manager of the Visiting club (and shall transmit by mail to the Visiting club a duplicate of the same) a statement of the receipts of said game, and shall pay to the authorized agent of such Visiting club the sum of fifteen (15) cents for each and every person admitted to the grounds to witness such game, or any part thereof, or admitted to the grounds for any other purpose during or prior to such game, or the hour appointed therefor, excepting only players of the contesting clubs and policemen in uniform.

The number of persons admitted to the grounds shall be determined by the use of the necessary number of self-registering turnstiles, the keys of which shall be delivered to the agent of the Visiting club before the opening of the grounds for each game; and said agent of the Visiting club shall have the right to affix a seal to the register, or box, of such turnstile, and the box of such turnstile shall not be removed until after the close of the seventh inning; and in case a carriage gate is used, a ticket for each person admitted through such gate shall at once be delivered to the agent of the Visiting club.

SEC. 61. The Secretary shall be authorized to draw upon each club, on the 25th day of each month, during the term of service of the staff of League umpires, for a sum not to exceed one hundred and eighty dollars, for the payment of the salaries and expenses of such umpires. (See also Par. 13, Sec. 10.)

SEC. 62. No game shall be played between League clubs before the commencement of the championship series.

SEC. 63. No game shall be played between any League club and any non-League club, or picked nine, upon the grounds of any League club, from the commencement to the completion of the championship series upon such grounds, except that any extra players of the Home club may so play while the Home club is absent from the city. No game shall be arranged or played between any League and non-League clubs, or picked nines, for or upon any "off days" of the championship series, except as above provided, and upon the following express conditions:

1. If a League championship game be prevented by rain or unavoidable accident on the day (not counting Sunday) preceding the day agreed upon for such non-League or picked-nine game, then the batter shall be declared off, so as to allow the League clubs to play the championship game on that day.

2. All such games shall be played under such rules, with such ball and such umpire, as may be mutually agreed upon by the League club and the non-League club.

3. The non-League club shall, unless otherwise agreed by letter, telegram or other writing, pay the League club, immediately

upon the termination of play without reference to the number of innings played, the sum of one hundred dollars, or one-half the gross receipts of such game, in case the gross receipts shall exceed two hundred dollars; and it is to be distinctly understood that the "gross receipts" include all revenue derived from the exhibition, whether taken at regular or carriage gates, or for admission to grounds, grand stands, or to other special privileges of the grounds; also, that the visiting club shall have sole control of all gates, and of all entrances to grand stands, or other special ground privileges for which extra fees are charged. And the non-League club shall pay the League club fifty dollars in every case where a League club shall present its nine in the city or town of such non-League club, prepared to play at the time appointed for such game, and the game be prevented by rain, or by any cause other than the refusal by such League club to play such game. In the event of the refusal or failure of any non-League club to pay the sum, or sums, due, as stipulated, the League club shall at once telegraph such fact to the Secretary of the League, who shall forthwith notify all other League clubs by telegraph; and no League club shall thereafter play such defaulting club until the full amount due be paid the League club, which League club shall, in case of such payment, notify the Secretary, and the other League clubs, by telegraph.

4. In any case not covered by the first condition specified in this section, a League club having agreed to play a non-League club upon the grounds of the latter, and failing to present its nine in the city or town of such non-League club, prepared to play at the time appointed for such game, the League club shall pay the non-League club the sum of fifty dollars or such other sum as may have been mutually agreed upon, as the penalty of such default.

SEC. 64. A club shall be entitled to forfeited games—to count in its series as games won by a score of nine runs to none—in cases where the umpire in any championship game shall award the game to such club on account of the violation by the contesting club of any playing rule of this League.

SEC. 65. Drawn, tie, and postponed games shall not count in the series as games, but must be played off, if possible, as provided in Section 55. If they cannot be played off as therein provided, they may subsequently be played off, if sufficient time exist before the close of the season.

SEC. 66. The club which shall have won the greatest percentage of games in the championship series, shall be declared the champion club of the United States for the season in which such games were played. In the event that two or more clubs shall have won the same percentage of games, then the club

which shall have lost the smallest percentage shall be declared the champion, and in case two or more clubs be tied for first place, the Board shall at once arrange a special series of three games between any two of such clubs, such games to be played in the month of October, and the games so played shall be included in the championship record, and counted in determining the award of the championship. In such case only the provisions of this Constitution prohibiting the playing or recording as championship games, games played after the expiration of the championship season, shall have no effect.

The emblem of the championship shall be a pennant (of the national colors), to cost not less than one hundred dollars (\$100). It shall be inscribed with the motto, "Champion Base Ball Club of the United States," with the name of the club and the year in which the title was won, and the champion club shall be entitled to fly the pennant until the close of the ensuing season.

SEC. 67. The championship shall be decided in the following manner:

Within twenty-four hours after every match game played for the championship, the home club shall prepare and forward to the Secretary of the League a statement containing the full score of the game, according to the system specified in the "Playing Rules," the date, place where played, and names of the clubs and umpire: *Provided*, That no tie or drawn game shall be considered "a game" for any purpose, nor shall the score thereof be forwarded to the Secretary; and provided further, that in any case where the Secretary shall not receive the score of a championship game within five days after the playing of such game, the club whose duty it is to forward such score shall pay to the League the sum of ten dollars as the penalty of such default.

At the close of the season, the Secretary shall prepare a tabular statement of the games won and lost by each club, according to the statements so sent him (which statements shall be the sole evidence in the matter), and submit the same, with the statements so sent him, to the Board, who shall make the award in writing, and report the same to the League at its annual meeting. In making the award the Board shall consider:

1. The tabular statement of the Secretary.
2. Forfeited games.
3. Games participated in by clubs which have withdrawn, disbanded, or forfeited their membership without completing their championship series with all other League clubs; such games shall be counted to the following extent: The Board shall ascertain the least number of championship games played by such club with any club remaining in the League, and shall,

from the first game participated in during the championship season, by such retired club, count in the series of each League club a similar number of games, and all other games participated in by such retired club shall not be counted in the championship series: *Provided*, That if such retired club shall have failed to play at least one championship game with every League club, all games participated in by it shall be thrown out entirely.

ANNUAL MEETING.

SECTION 68. The annual meeting of the League shall be held on the first Wednesday after the third Tuesday in November of each year, at twelve o'clock noon, and at such place as shall have been determined by vote at the previous annual meeting.

SEC. 69. At such meeting each club shall be represented, and shall be entitled to two representatives, and to have, in addition thereto, any of its officers or ex-officers present at such meeting; but no club shall be permitted to send as a representative any person under contract or engagement as a ball player, and belonging to the nine of such club in said capacity; they shall present a certificate from the President or Secretary of their club, showing their authority to act; but no club shall have more than one vote.

SEC. 70. A representation of a majority of clubs shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn from time to time until a quorum is obtained.

SEC. 71. The following shall be the order of business:

1. Reading minutes of last meeting.
2. Report of Board of Directors.
3. Reports of special committees.
4. Election of new members.
5. Amendment of Constitution.
6. Amendment of Playing Rules.
7. Election of officers.
8. Miscellaneous business.
9. Adjournment.

AMENDMENTS

SECTION 72. The Constitution or Playing Rules of this League may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the League at any annual meeting.

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PLAYING RULES
—OF THE—
NATIONAL LEAGUE

—OF—
Professional Base Ball Clubs;

1884.

ADOPTED IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 51 OF
THE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION.

CLASS I.

THE MATERIALS OF THE GAME.

RULE 1. *The Ground* must be an inclosed field, sufficient in size to enable each player to play in his position as required by these Rules.

RULE 2. *The Infield* must be a space of ground thirty yards square.

RULE 3. *The Bases* must be

(1) Four in number, and designated as First Base, Second Base, Third Base and Home Base.

(2) The Home Base must be of white marble or white stone twelve inches square, so fixed in the ground as to be even with the surface, and so placed in the corner of the infield that two of its sides will form part of the boundaries of said infield.

(3) The First, Second and Third Bases must be canvas bags, fifteen inches square, painted white, and filled with some soft material, and so placed that the center of each shall be upon a separate corner of the infield, the First Base at the right, the Second Base opposite, and the Third Base at the left of the Home Base.

(4) All the Bases must be securely fastened in their positions, and so placed as to be distinctly seen by the Umpire.

RULE 4. *The Foul Lines* must be drawn in straight lines from the outer corner of the Home Base, through the center of the positions of First and Third Bases, to the boundaries of the Ground.

RULE 5. *The Pitcher's Lines* must be straight lines forming the boundaries of a space of ground, in the infield, six feet long by four feet wide, distant fifty feet from the center of the Home Base, and so placed that the six feet lines would each be two feet distant from and parallel with a straight line passing through the center of the Home and Second Bases. Each corner of this space must be marked by a flat iron plate or stone, six inches square, fixed in the ground, even with the surface.

RULE 6. *The Catcher's Lines* must be drawn from the outer corner of the Home Base, in continuation of the Foul Lines, straight to the limits of the Ground back of the Home Base.

RULE 7. *The Captain's Lines* must be drawn from the Catcher's Lines to the Limits of the Ground, fifteen feet from and parallel with the Foul lines.

RULE 8. *The Players' Lines* must be drawn from the Catcher's Lines to the limits of the Ground, fifty feet from and parallel with the Foul Lines.

RULE 9. *The Player's Bench* must be furnished by the Home Club, and placed upon a portion of the Ground outside the Players' Lines. It must be twelve feet in length and immovably fastened to the ground. At each end of such bench must be immovably fixed a bat-rack, with fixtures for holding twenty bats; one such rack must be designated for the exclusive use of the Visiting Club, and the other for the exclusive use of the Home Club.

RULE 10. *The Batsman's Lines* must be straight lines forming the boundaries of a space on the right, and of a similar space on the left of the Home Base, six feet long by three feet wide, extending three feet in front of and three feet behind the center of the Home Base, and with its nearest line distant one foot from the Home Base.

RULE 11. *The Three Feet Lines* must be drawn as follows: From a point on the Foul Line from Home Base to First Base, and equally distant from such bases, shall be drawn a line

on Foul Ground, at a right angle to said Foul Line, and to a point three feet distant from it; thence running parallel with said Foul Line, to a point three feet distant from the center of the First Base; thence in a straight line to the center of the First Base, and thence upon the Foul Line to the point of beginning.

RULE 12. *The lines designated in Rules 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 and 11 must be marked with chalk or other suitable material, so as to be distinctly seen by the Umpire. They must all be so marked their entire length, except the Captain's and Players' Lines, which must be so marked for a distance of at least thirty-five yards from the Catcher's Lines, or to the limits of the grounds.*

RULE 13. *The Ball.*

(1) Must not weigh less than five nor more than five and one-quarter ounces avoirdupois, and measure not less than nine nor more than nine and one-quarter inches in circumference. It must be composed of woolen yarn, and contain not more than one ounce of vulcanized rubber in mould form, and be covered with leather. It must be furnished by the Secretary of the League, whose seal shall be final evidence of the legality of the ball.

(2) In all games the ball or balls played with shall be furnished by the Home Club, and become the property of the winning club.

(3) Should the ball become out of shape, or cut or ripped so as to expose the yarn, or in any way so injured as to be unfit for fair use in the opinion of the Umpire, on being appealed to by either Captain, a new ball shall at once be called for by the Umpire.

(4) Should the ball be lost during the game, the Umpire shall, at the expiration of five minutes, call for a new ball.

RULE 14. *The Bat.*

(1) Must be made wholly of wood.

(2) It must be round, must not exceed two and one-half inches in diameter in the thickest part, and must not exceed forty-two inches in length.

CLASS II.

FIELD RULES.

RULE 15. *No Club shall allow open betting or pool selling upon its grounds, nor in any building owned or occupied by it*

RULE 16. *No Club* shall sell or allow to be sold upon its grounds, nor in any building owned or occupied by it, any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors.

RULE 17. *No person* shall be allowed upon any part of the field during the progress of the game, in addition to *the nine players on each side and the umpire, except such officers of the law as may be present in uniform to preserve the peace.*

RULE 18. *Players in uniform* shall not be permitted to seat themselves among the spectators.

RULE 19. *The umpire* is the sole judge of play, and is entitled to the respect of the spectators, and any person offering any insult or indignity to him, must be promptly ejected from the grounds.

RULE 20. *Every Club* shall furnish sufficient police force upon its own grounds to preserve order, and in the event of a crowd entering the field during the progress of a game, and interfering with the play in any manner, the Visiting Club may refuse to play further until the field be cleared. If the ground be not cleared within fifteen minutes thereafter, the Visiting Club may claim, and shall be entitled to, the game by a score of nine runs to none (no matter what number of innings have been played).

RULE 21. No Umpire, Manager, Captain or Player shall address the audience during the progress of a game, except in case of necessary explanation.

CLASS III.

THE PLAYERS AND THEIR POSITIONS.

RULE 22. *The Players* of each club, in a match game, shall be nine in number, one of whom shall be the Captain

RULE 23. *The Players' Positions* shall be

(1) When in the field (designated "Fielders" in these Rules) such as may be assigned them by their Captain, *except* that the Pitcher must take his position within the Pitcher's Lines, as defined in Rule 5.

(2) When their side goes to the bat they must immediately seat themselves upon the Players' Bench, and remain there until the side is put out, *except* when batsman or base-runner. All bats not in use must be kept in the bat racks, and the two players next succeeding the Batsman, in the order in which they are named on the Score, must be ready with bat in hand to promptly take position as batsman: *Provided*, That the Captain, and one assistant only, may occupy the space between the Players' Lines and the Captain's Lines, to coach Base-Runners.

(3) The Batsmen must take their positions within the Batsman's Lines, as defined in Rule 10, in the order in which they are named on the Score, which must contain the batting order of both nines and must be followed, except in case of disability of a player, in which case the substitute must take the place of the disabled player in the batting order.

(4) No player of the side at bat, *except* when Batsman, shall occupy any portion of the space within the Catcher's Lines as defined in Rule 6.

CLASS IV.

DEFINITIONS.

RULE 24. *A High Ball* is a ball legally delivered by the Pitcher, over the Home Base, higher than the belt of the Batsman, but not higher than his shoulder.

RULE 25. *A Low Ball* is a ball legally delivered by the Pitcher, over the Home Base, not higher than the Batsman's belt, nor lower than his knee.

RULE 26. *A High or Low Ball* is a ball legally delivered by the Pitcher, over the Home Base, not higher than the Batsman's shoulder, nor lower than his knee.

RULE 27. *A Fair Ball* is a ball delivered by the Pitcher, while wholly within the lines of his position and facing the Batsman, and the ball passing over the Home Base at the height called for by the Batsman.

RULE 28. *An Unfair Ball* is a ball delivered by the Pitcher as in Rule 27, except that the ball does not pass over the Home Base, or does not pass over the Home Base at the height called for by the Batsman.

RULE 29. *A Balk* is

(1) A motion made by the Pitcher to deliver the ball to the bat without delivering it, *except* the ball be accidentally dropped; or,

(2) The ball be held by the Pitcher so long as to delay the game unnecessarily; or,

(3) Delivered to the bat by the Pitcher when any part of his person is upon ground outside the lines of his position.

RULE 30. *A Dead Ball* is a ball delivered to the bat by the Pitcher, that touches the Batsman's bat, without being struck at, or any part of the Batsman's person while standing in his position, without being struck at, or any part of the Umpire's person, without first passing the Catcher.

RULE 31. *A Block* is a batted or thrown ball that is stopped or handled by any person not engaged in the game.

RULE 32. *A Fair Hit* is a ball batted by the Batsman, standing in his position, that first touches the ground, the First Base, the Third Base, the part of the person of a player, or any other object that is in front of or on either of the Foul Lines, or (*exception*) batted directly to the ground by the Batsman, standing in his position, that (whether it first touches Foul or Fair Ground) bounds or rolls within the Foul Lines, between Home and First, or Home and Third Bases, without first touching the person of a player.

RULE 33. *A Foul Hit* is a ball batted by the Batsman, standing in his position, that first touches the ground, the part of the person of a player, or any other object that is behind either of the Foul Lines, or that strikes the person of such Batsman, while standing in his position, or (*exception*) batted directly to the ground by the Batsman, standing in his position, that (whether it first touches Foul or Fair Ground) bounds or rolls outside the Foul Lines, between Home and First, or Home and Third Bases, without first touching the person of a player.

RULE 34. When a batted ball passes outside the grounds, the Umpire shall decide it fair should it disappear within, or foul should it disappear outside of the range of the foul lines, and Rules 32 and 33 are to be construed accordingly.

RULE 35. *A Strike* is

(1) A ball struck at by the Batsman without its touching his bat; or,

(2) A ball legally delivered by the Pitcher at the height called for by the Batsman, and over the Home Base, but not struck at by the Batsman.

RULE 36. *A Foul Strike* is a ball batted by the Batsman when any part of his person is upon ground outside the lines of the Batsman's position.

RULE 37. *Play* is the order of the Umpire to begin the game, or to resume play after its suspension.

RULE 38. *Time* is the order of the Umpire to suspend play. Such suspension must not extend beyond the day of the game.

RULE 39. *Game* is the announcement by the Umpire that the game is terminated.

RULE 40. *An Inning* is the turn at bat of the nine players representing a Club in a game, and is completed when three of such players have been put out as provided in these Rules.

RULE 41. *A time at bat* is the term at bat of a batsman. It begins when he takes his position, and continues until he is put out, or becomes a base runner.

RULE 42. *Legal, or Legally*, signifies as required by these rules.

CLASS V.

THE GAME.

RULE 43. *A Game* shall consist of nine innings to each contesting nine, except that:

(1) If the side first at bat scores less runs in nine innings than the other side has scored in eight innings, the game shall then terminate.

(2) If the side last at bat in the ninth innings scores the winning run before the third man is out, the game shall then terminate.

(3) If the score be a tie at the end of nine innings to each side, play shall only be continued until the side first at bat shall have scored one or more runs than the other side, in an equal number of innings; or until the other side shall score one more run than the side first at bat.

(4) If the Umpire calls "Game" on account of darkness or rain at any time after five innings have been completed by both sides, the score shall be that of the last equal innings played, *unless* the side second at bat shall have scored one or more runs than the side first at bat, in which case the score of the game shall be the total number of runs made.

RULE 44. *A Drawn Game* shall be declared by the Umpire when he terminates a game, on account of darkness or rain, after five equal innings have been played, if the score at the time is equal on the last even innings played; but (*exception*) if the side that went second to bat is then at the bat, and has scored the same number of runs as the other side, the Umpire shall declare the game drawn, without regard to the score of the last equal innings.

RULE 45. *A Forfeited Game* shall be declared by the Umpire, in favor of the Club not in fault, in the following cases:

(1) If the nine of a club fail to appear upon the field, or, being upon the Field, fail to begin the game within five minutes after the Umpire has called "Play" at the hour appointed for the beginning of the game.

(2) If, after the game has begun, one side refuses or fails to continue playing, *unless* such game has been suspended or terminated by the Umpire.

(3) If, after play has been suspended by the Umpire, one side fails to resume playing within five minutes after the Umpire has called "Play."

(4) If, in the opinion of the Umpire, any one of these Rules is willfully violated.

RULE 46. "*No Game*" shall be declared by the Umpire if he shall terminate play, on account of rain or darkness, before five innings on each side are completed.

RULE 47. *A Substitute* shall not be allowed to take the place of any player in a game, *unless* such player be disabled in the game then being played, by reason of illness or injury.

RULE 48. *The Choice of First Innings* shall be determined by the two Captains.

RULE 49. *The Umpire* must call "Play" at the hour appointed for beginning a game. The game must begin when the Umpire calls "Play." When he calls "Time," play shall be suspended until he calls "Play" again, and during the interim no player shall be put out, base be run, or run be scored. The Umpire shall suspend play only for an accident to himself, or a player; (but in case of accident to a Fielder, Time shall not be called until the ball be returned to, and held by the Pitcher, standing in his position); or in case rain falls so heavily that the spectators are compelled, by the severity of the storm, to seek shelter, in which case he shall note the time of suspension, and, should such rain continue to fall thirty minutes thereafter, he shall terminate the game. The Umpire shall also declare every "Dead Ball," "Block," "Foul Hit," "Foul Strike," and "Balk."

RULE 50. *The Batsman, on taking his position*, must call for a "High Ball," a "Low Ball," or a "High or Low Ball," and the Umpire shall notify the Pitcher to deliver the ball as required; such call shall not be changed after the first ball delivered. The Umpire shall count and call every "Unfair Ball" delivered by the Pitcher, and every "Dead Ball," if also an "Unfair Ball," as a "Ball;" and he shall also count and call every "Strike." Neither a "Ball" nor a "Strike" shall be called or counted until the ball has passed the Home Base.

RULE 51. *The Batsman is out:*

(1) If he fails to take his position at the bat in his order of batting, unless the error be discovered, and the proper Batsman takes his position before a fair hit has been made, and in such case the balls and strikes called will be counted in the time at bat of the proper Batsman.

(2) If he fails to take his position within one minute after the Umpire has called for the Batsman.

(3) If he makes a Foul Hit, and the ball be momentarily held by a fielder before touching the ground, provided it be not caught in a fielder's hat or cap, or touch some object other than the fielder before being caught.

(4) If he makes a Foul Strike.

(5) If he plainly attempts to hinder the Catcher from fielding the ball, evidently without effort to make a fair hit.

RULE 52. *The Batsman becomes a Base Runner*

(1) Instantly after he makes a Fair Hit.

(2) Instantly after six Balls have been called by the Umpire

(3) Instantly after three Strikes have been declared by the Umpire.

RULE 53. *The Base-Runner must touch each Base in regular order, viz: First, Second, Third and Home Bases, and when obliged to return, must do so on the run, and must retouch the base or bases in reverse order. He shall only be considered as holding a base after touching it, and shall then be entitled to hold such base until he has legally touched the next base in order, or has been legally forced to vacate it for a succeeding Base Runner.*

RULE 54. *The Base Runner shall be entitled, without being put out, to take one Base, provided he do so on the run, in the following cases:*

(1) If, while he was Batsman, the Umpire called six Balls.

(2) If the Umpire awards a succeeding Batsman a base on six balls, and the Base Runner is thereby forced to vacate the base held by him.

(3) If the Umpire calls a Balk.

(4) If a ball delivered by the Pitcher pass the Catcher and touch any fence or building within ninety feet of the Home Base.

(5) If he be prevented from making a base by the obstruction of an adversary.

(6) If a Fielder stop or catch a batted ball with his hat or any part of his dress.

RULE 55. *The Base Runner shall return to his Base, and shall be entitled to so return without being put out, provided he do so on the run.*

(1) If the Umpire declares a Foul Hit, and the ball be not legally caught by a Fielder.

(2) If the Umpire declares a Foul Strike.

(3) If the Umpire declares a Dead Ball, unless it be also the sixth Unfair Ball, and he be thereby forced to take the next base, as provided in Rule 54 (2).

RULE 56. *The Base Runner shall not have a substitute run for him.*

RULE 57. *The Base Runner is out:*

(1) If, after three strikes have been declared against him

while Batsman, and the Catcher fails to catch the third-strike ball, he plainly attempts to hinder the Catcher from fielding the ball.

(2) If, having made a Fair Hit while Batsman, such fair-hit ball be momentarily held by a Fielder, before touching the ground or any object other than a Fielder: *Provided*, It be not caught in the Fielder's hat or cap.

(3) If, when the Umpire has declared three Strikes on him while Batsman, the third-strike ball be momentarily held by a Fielder before touching the ground: *Provided*, It be not caught in a Fielder's hat or cap, or touch some object other than a Fielder before being caught.

(4) If, after three Strikes or a Fair Hit, he be touched with the ball in the hand of a Fielder before such Base Runner touches First Base.

(5) If, after three Strikes or a Fair Hit, the ball be securely held by a Fielder, while touching First Base with any part of his person, before such Base Runner touches First Base.

(6) If, in running the last half of the distance from Home Base to First Base, he runs outside the Three Feet Lines, as defined in Rule 11, *except* that he must do so if necessary to avoid a Fielder attempting to field a batted ball, and in such case shall not be declared out.

(7) If, in running from First to Second Base, from Second to Third Base, or from Third to Home Base, he runs more than three feet from a direct line between such bases to avoid being touched by the ball in the hands of a Fielder; but in case a Fielder be occupying the Base Runner's proper path, attempting to field a batted ball, then the Base Runner shall run out of the path and behind said Fielder, and shall not be declared out for so doing.

(8) If he fails to avoid a Fielder attempting to field a batted ball, in the manner prescribed in (6) and (7) of this Rule, or if he, in any way, obstructs a Fielder attempting to field a batted ball: *Provided*, That if two or more Fielders attempt to field a batted ball, and the Base Runner comes in contact with one or more of them, the Umpire shall determine which Fielder is entitled to the benefit of this Rule, and shall not decide the Base Runner out for coming in contact with any other Fielder.

(9) If, at any time while the ball is in play, he be touched by the ball in the hand of a Fielder, unless some part of his person is touching a base he is entitled to occupy, provided the ball be held by the Fielder after touching him; *but (exception as to First Base)*, in running to First Base, he may overrun said base without being put out for being off said base. after

first touching it, provided he returns at once and retouches the base, after which he may be put out as at any other base. If, in overrunning First Base, he also attempts to run to Second Base, he shall forfeit such exemption from being put out.

(10) If, when a Fair or Foul Hit ball is legally caught by a Fielder, such ball is legally held by a Fielder on the base occupied by the Base Runner when such ball was struck (or the Base Runner be touched with the ball in the hands of a Fielder), before he retouches said base after such Fair or Foul Hit ball was so caught. *Provided*, That the Base Runner shall not be out in such case, if, after the ball was legally caught as above, it be delivered to the bat by the Pitcher before the Fielder holds it on said base, or touches the Base Runner with it

(11) If, when a Batsman becomes a Base Runner (*except as provided in Rule 54*), the First Base, or the First and Second Bases, or the First, Second and Third Bases, be occupied, any Base Runner so occupying a base shall cease to be entitled to hold it, until any following Base Runner is put out, and may be put out at the next base or by being touched by the ball in the hands of a Fielder in the same manner as in running to First Base, at any time before any following Base Runner is put out.

(12) If a Fair Hit ball strike him, he shall be declared out and in such case no base shall be run unless forced, and no run be scored.

(13) If when running to a base or forced to return to a base, he fail to touch the intervening base or bases, if any, in the order prescribed in Rule 53, he may be put out at the base he fails to touch, or by being touched by the ball in the hand of a Fielder, in the same manner as in running to First Base. *Provided*, That he shall not be declared out unless the Captain of the fielding side claim such decision before the ball is delivered to the bat by the Pitcher.

(14) If, when the Umpire calls "Play," after any suspension of a game, he fails to return to and touch the base he occupied when "Time" was called before touching the next base.

RULE 58. *The Umpire shall declare the Batsman or Base Runner out, without waiting for an appeal for such decision, in all cases where such player is put out in accordance with these rules, except as provided in Rule 57, (10), (13) and (14).*

RULE 59. *In case of a Foul Strike, Foul Hit not legally caught flying, Dead Ball, or Base Runner put out for being struck by a fair-hit ball, the ball shall not be considered in play until it is held by the Pitcher standing in his position.*

RULE 60. *Whenever a Block occurs*, the Umpire shall declare it, and Base Runners may run the bases without being put out, until after the ball has been returned to and held by the Pitcher standing in his position.

RULE 61. *One Run shall be scored* every time a Base Runner, after having legally touched the first three bases, shall touch the Home Base before three men are put out. If the third man is forced out, or is put out before reaching First Base, a run shall not be scored.

RULE 62. *If the Pitcher causes the ball to strike the Batsman*, and the Umpire be satisfied that he does it intentionally, he shall fine the Pitcher therefor in a sum not less than Ten Dollars, nor more than Fifty Dollars. (See League Contract paragraph 11).

RULE 63. *No Player except the Captain or his assistant shall address the Umpire* concerning any point of play, and any violation of this Rule shall subject the offender to a fine of five dollars by the Umpire.

CLASS VI.

THE UMPIRE.

RULE 64. A staff of four League umpires shall be selected by the Secretary before the 1st day of May.

(1) Applications for such positions will be received by the Secretary until the 1st day of March.

(2) A written contract shall be made with each of the four umpires selected, stipulating for his service from May 1 to Oct. 15, at a salary of one thousand dollars for such period, payable in equal monthly payments, at the expiration of each month of service. He shall also be allowed and paid his actual expenses while absent from his home in the service of the League.

(3) He shall be under the sole control and direction of the Secretary, from whom he will receive all assignments to duty and all instructions regarding the interpretation of the playing rules, and the Secretary shall see that he is proficient in the discharge of his duties, and that he shall appear in proper dress when acting as umpire.

(4) In the event of the failure of such umpire to umpire a game assigned to him, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to provide a substitute to umpire such game, and, in such case, there shall be deducted from the next monthly payment to the League Umpire the sum of twelve dollars for each game as-

signed to him, which, for any reason, he shall have failed to umpire.

(5) It shall be the duty of each League Club to accept as Umpire for any championship game such League Umpire or substitute as the Secretary shall assign to such game, and only in the event of the failure of the League Umpire or substitute so assigned to appear at the hour appointed for the beginning of such game, shall the duty devolve upon the visiting club to designate an Umpire for such game.

(6) Any League Umpire shall be subject to removal by the Secretary at any time, and in the event of the resignation, removal or expulsion of any League Umpire the Secretary shall have power to appoint a suitable person to fill the vacancy thus created.

RULE 65. *The Umpire's Duties*, in addition to those specified in the preceding Rules, are:

(1) Before the commencement of a Match Game, the Umpire shall see that the rules governing all the materials of the game are strictly observed. He shall ask the Captain of the Home Club whether there are any special ground rules to be enforced, and if there are, he shall see that they are duly enforced, provided they do not conflict with any of these Rules. He shall also ascertain whether the fence directly in the rear of the Catcher's position is distant ninety feet from the Home Base.

The Umpire shall not reverse his decision on any point of play upon the testimony of any player engaged in the game, or upon the testimony of any bystander.

(2) It shall be the duty of the Umpire to decide whether the grounds are in proper condition, and the weather suitable for play.

RULE 66. *The Umpire shall not be changed* during the progress of a Match Game, except for reason of illness or injury.

RULE 67. *Any League Umpire who shall be convicted* of selling, or offering to sell, a game of which he is Umpire, shall thereupon be removed from his official capacity and placed under the same disabilities inflicted on expelled players by the Constitution of the League. (See also Constitution, Section 42.)

RULE 68. *The Umpire's Jurisdictions and Powers*, in addition to those specified in the preceding Rules, are:

(1) The gentleman selected to fill the position of Umpire must keep constantly in mind the fact that upon his sound discretion and promptness in conducting the game, compelling players to observe the spirit as well as the letter of the Rules,

in the judgment of the President of the League be guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct or

and enforcing each and every one of the Rules, largely depends the merit of the game as an exhibition, and the satisfaction of spectators therewith. He must make his decisions distinct and clear, remembering that every spectator is anxious to hear such decision. He must keep the contesting nines playing constantly from the commencement of the game to its termination, allowing such delays only as are rendered unavoidable by accident, injury or rain. He must, until the completion of the game, require the players of each side to promptly take their positions in the field as soon as the third hand is put out, and must require the first striker of the opposite side to be in his position at the bat as soon as the fielders are in their places.

(2) The players of the side "at bat" must occupy the portion of the field allotted them, subject to the condition that they must speedily vacate any portion thereof that may be in the way of the ball, or any fielder attempting to catch or field it. The triangular space behind the Home Base is reserved for the exclusive use of the Umpire, Catcher and Batsman, and the Umpire must prohibit any player of the side "at bat" from crossing the same at any time while the ball is in the hands of the Pitcher or Catcher, or is passing between them, while standing in their positions.

(3) Section 9 of the League Constitution makes the League Umpire a member of the League. During the progress of a game he is the sole representative of the League, to see that the game is played and determined solely on its merits, and these Rules invest him with ample powers to accomplish this purpose. In the performance of his duties he must remember that his sole allegiance is due to the League.

(4) The Umpire is master of the Field from the commencement to the termination of the game, and must compel the players to observe the provisions of all the Playing Rules, and he is hereby invested with authority to order any Player to do or omit to do any act, as he may deem it necessary to give force and effect to any and all of such provisions, and power to inflict upon any player disobeying any such order a fine of not less than five nor more than fifty dollars for each offense, and to impose a similar fine upon any player who shall use abusive, threatening or improper language to the Umpire, audience, or other player, and when the Umpire shall have so punished the player, he shall not have the power to revoke or remit the penalty so inflicted. (See League Contract, paragraph 11).

(5) The Umpire shall at once notify the Captain of the offending player's side of the infliction of any fine herein provided for, and the club to which such player belongs shall, upon receipt of a notice of said fine from the Secretary of

the League, within ten days transmit the amount of such fine to the Secretary of the League.

(6) In case the Umpire imposes a fine on a player, or declares a game forfeited, he shall transmit a written notice thereof to the Secretary of the League within twenty-four hours thereafter; and if he shall fail to do so, he shall forfeit his position as League Umpire, and shall forever thereafter be ineligible to umpire any League game.

RULE 69. For the special benefit of the patrons of the game, and because the offenses specified are under his immediate jurisdiction, and not subject to appeal by players, the attention of the Umpire is particularly directed to possible violations of the purpose and spirit of the Rules, of the following character:

1. Laziness or loafing of players in taking their places in the field, or those allotted them by the Rules when their side is at the bat, and especially any failure to keep the bats in the racks provided for them; to be ready (two men) to take position as Batsmen, and to remain upon the Players' Bench, except when otherwise required by the Rules.

2. Any attempt by players of the side at bat, by calling to a fielder, other than the one designated by his Captain, to field a ball, or by any other equally disreputable means seeking to disconcert a fielder.

3. Indecent or improper language addressed by a player to the audience, the Umpire, or any player.

In any of these cases the Umpire should promptly fine the offending player.

4. The Rules make a marked distinction between hindrance of an adversary in fielding a batted or a thrown ball. This has been done to rid the game of the childish excuses and claims formerly made by a Fielder failing to hold a ball to put out a Base Runner, but there may be cases of a Base Runner so flagrantly violating the spirit of the Rules and of the Game in obstructing a Fielder from fielding a thrown ball, that it would become the duty of the Umpire, not only to declare the Base Runner "out" (and to compel any succeeding Base Runners to hold their bases), but also to impose a heavy fine upon him. For example: If the Base Runner plainly strike the ball while passing him, to prevent its being caught by a Fielder: if he hold a Fielder's arms so as to disable him from catching the ball, or if he knock the Fielder down with his fist for the same purpose.

5. In the case of a "Block," if the person not engaged in the game should retain possession of the ball, or throw, or kick it beyond the reach of the Fielders the Umpire should call

"Time," and require each Base Runner to stop at the last base touched by him, until the ball be returned to the Pitcher, standing in his position.

6. The Umpire must call "Play" at the exact time advertised for beginning a game, and any player not then ready to take the position allotted him, must be promptly fined by the Umpire.

7. The Umpire is only allowed, by the Rules, to call "Time" in case of an accident to himself or a player, or in case of rain, as defined by the Rules. The practice of players suspending the game to discuss or contest a decision with the Umpire, is a gross violation of the Rules, and the Umpire should promptly fine any player who interrupts the game in this manner.

CLASS VII.

SCORING.

RULE 70. *In Order to Promote Uniformity in Scoring* Championship Games, the following instructions, suggestions and definitions are made for the benefit of scorers of League clubs, and they are required to make the scores mentioned in Section 67 of the League Constitution in accordance therewith

Batting.

(1) The first item in the tabulated score, after the player's name and position, shall be the number of times he has been at bat during the game. Any time or times where the player has been sent to base on called balls shall not be included in this column.

(2) In the second column should be set down the runs made by each player.

(3) In the third column should be placed the first base hits made by each player. A base hit should be scored in the following cases.

When the ball from the bat strikes the ground between the foul lines, and out of reach of the fielders.

When a hit is partially or wholly stopped by a fielder in motion, but such player cannot recover himself in time to handle the ball before the striker reaches First Base.

When the ball is hit so sharply to an infielder that he cannot handle it in time to put out a man. In case of doubt over this class of hits, score a base hit and exempt fielder from the charge of an error.

When a ball is hit so slowly toward a fielder that he cannot handle it in time to put out a man.

(4) In the fourth column should be placed to the credit of each player the total bases made by him off his hits.

Fielding.

(5) The number of opponents put out by each player shall be set down in the fifth column. Where a striker is given out by the Umpire for a foul strike, or because he struck out of his turn the put-out shall be scored to the Catcher.

(6) The number of times the player assists shall be set down in the sixth column. An assist should be given to each player who handles the ball in a run-out or other play of the kind.

An assist should be given to a player who makes a play in time to put a runner out, even if the player who should complete the play fails, through no fault of the player assisting.

And generally an assist should be given to each player who handles the ball from the time it leaves the bat until it reaches the player who makes the put-out, or in case of a thrown ball, to each player who throws or handles it cleanly, and in such a way that a put-out results or would result if no error were made by the receiver.

In the summary of the game should be credited to the pitcher the number of times a batsman fails to hit the ball on the third strike.

(7) An error should be given for each misplay which allows the striker or base-runner to make one or more bases, when perfect play would have insured his being put out.

An error should be given to the pitcher when the batsman is given first base on "called balls."

In scoring errors off batted balls, see (3) of this rule.

CLASS VIII.

CONSTRUCTION AND AMENDMENTS.

RULE 71. No section of these Rules shall be construed as conflicting with or affecting any article of the Constitution of the League.

RULE 72. *No Amendment* or change of any of these Rules shall be made, except in the manner provided in the Constitution of the League.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE "NATIONAL LEAGUE OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS" HELD AT THE RIGGS HOUSE, WASHINGTON, D. C., TUESDAY, NOV. 20, 1883.

Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 8 P. M.

Present:

MR. A. G. MILLS, Chairman, and MESSRS. A. G. SPALDING, A. J. REACH, A. H. SODEN, and HON. W. G. THOMPSON, Directors.

The Secretary presented a tabular statement of championship games won and lost during the season of 1883, showing the BOSTON CLUB to have won the greatest number.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the BOSTON BASE BALL ASSOCIATION of BOSTON, MASS., having won the greatest number of games in the championship series, is hereby awarded the LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP of the UNITED STATES for the year 1883.

The report of the Treasurer was received and accepted.

Mr. N. E. YOUNG was re-elected Secretary.

On motion adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock A. M. on the following day.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 21, 1883.

~~Meeting~~ called to order by the Chairman at 11 o'clock A. M.
No further business appearing, on motion adjourned.

(Signed) A. G. MILLS,	} <i>Chairman.</i>
" A. G. SPALDING,	
" A. H. SODEN,	
" A. J. REACH,	
" W. G. THOMPSON,	

Directors

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS HELD AT THE RIGGS HOUSE, WASHINGTON, D. C., WEDNESDAY, NOV. 21, 1883.

Meeting called to order by MR. A. G. MILLS, President, at 12 o'clock M.

The following named gentlemen presented their credentials:

C. H. BULKLEY,	representing the	CLEVELAND	B. B. ASS'N.
GEO. W. HOWE,	"	"	"
HON. W. G. THOMPSON	"	DETROIT	"
A. H. SODEN	"	BOSTON	"
A. J. CHASE	"	"	"
J. EDWARD ALLEN	"	PROVIDENCE	"
HENRY T. ROOT	"	"	"
JOSIAH JEWETT	"	BUFFALO	CLUB.
GEO. H. HUGHSON	"	"	"

A. J. REACH	representing the	PHILADELPHIA BALL CLUB		
JNO. I. ROGERS	"	"	"	"
JNO. B. DAY	"	NEW YORK	"	"
CHAS. T. DILLINGHAM	"	"	"	"
A. G. SPALDING	"	CHICAGO	"	"
JNO. A. BROWN	"	"	"	"

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

The report of the Board of Directors was received and accepted.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended for the purpose of receiving the report of the Arbitration Committee, which was duly presented by MR. A. G. MILLS, Chairman.

MR. THOMPSON moved to amend by striking out all reference in report to the NORTH WESTERN ASSOCIATION. Lost.

The report of the Arbitration Committee was, on motion, adopted, and the PRESIDENT was duly authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the LEAGUE.

The meeting next proceeded to consider amendments to the CONSTITUTION, which, as amended, was adopted as follows:

(SEE CONSTITUTION.)

On motion adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock A. M., on the following day.

THURSDAY, NOV. 22, 1883.

Meeting called to order at 10 o'clock A. M., and proceeded to consider amendments to the PLAYING RULES, which, as amended, were adopted as follows:

(SEE PLAYING RULES.)

MR. A. G. MILLS was unanimously re-elected PRESIDENT of the LEAGUE.

The following named gentlemen were elected, with the PRESIDENT, to constitute the "BOARD OF DIRECTORS" for the ensuing year, namely:

A. G. SPALDING, HON. W. G. THOMPSON, A. J. REACH, and J. EDWARD ALLEN.

COMMITTEES were appointed as follows:

On Uniforms—MESSRS. HOWE, DAY and REACH.

On Printing—MESSRS. ROOT, HUGHSON and ALLEN.

On motion, the publication of the LEAGUE BOOK was left in the hands of the Secretary.

The contract for furnishing balls for the use of LEAGUE CLUBS for three years was duly awarded to MESSRS. A. G. SPALDING & BROS., of Chicago, Ill.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to furnish LEAGUE CLUBS all balls required for their use at the rate of fifteen dollars per dozen.

MR. DAY moved that the Schedule Committee consist of three, and be elected by this meeting. Carried.

MESSRS. A. G. SPALDING, A. H. SODEN and JNO. B. DAY, were duly elected a committee to prepare a Schedule for 1884.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of the election of Schedule Committee, and to invite the Schedule Committee of their Association to meet and confer with them.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the next annual meeting of the LEAGUE be held in New York City.

Resolved, That the President is hereby empowered to reconvene this Annual Meeting, or to call a Special Meeting in Buffalo, N. Y., at any time in the month of March, 1884.

The Committee on Uniforms reported in favor of each club retaining its present uniforms. Report accepted.

The Committee on Printing reported that they were unable to make a report at this meeting, and asked for further time. The report was accepted, and the Committee empowered to receive proposals and to make contract at any time before the spring meeting.

The following resolution was offered, and action deferred until the spring meeting:

Resolved, That no Club shall, at any time, employ or enter into contract with any of the reserved players who shall, while reserved to such Club, contract and play with any other Club.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to write to the Committee of the UNION LEAGUE P. B. B. ASSOCIATION, stating that this LEAGUE was pleased to meet them, and had taken under consideration, in its legislation, the views expressed by them during their visit to this body, and that the LEAGUE had found it impracticable to co-operate, or to make any mutual arrangement with them, as it could not be done without conflicting with engagements already entered into with other Associations.

A communication received from certain players of the FT. WAYNE B. B. CLUB was referred to the Board of Directors.

No further business appearing, on motion adjourned.

(Signed),
N. E. YOUNG,

Secretary.

A. G. MILLS,
President.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS HELD AT "THE GENESSEE,"
BUFFALO, N. Y. TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1884.

The following delegates were present:

A. G. SPALDING, representing the CHICAGO BALL CLUB.	
{ NO. I. ROGERS, }	" " PHILADELPHIA " "
HARRY WRIGHT, }	

JNO. B. DAY,	representing the	NEW YORK BALL CLUB
JOSIAH JEWETT,	}	" " BUFFALO B. B. "
SPENCER CLINTON,		
A. H. SODEN,	"	" BOSTON " ASS'N
H. T. ROOT,	}	" PROVIDENCE " "
J. E. ALLEN,		
GEO. W. HOWE,	"	" CLEVELAND " "
JNO. C. CHAPMAN,	"	" DETROIT " "

Meeting called to order by PRESIDENT MILLS, at 10:15 A. M.

The committee appointed to prepare a schedule for the season of 1884 submitted their report, which was unanimously adopted.

On motion special meeting adjourned.

A re-convened annual meeting of the National League was called to order by the President at 12 M.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with.

The meeting proceeded to consider amendments to the playing rules, which, as amended, were adopted as follows (see playing rules).

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That no League Club shall, at any time, employ or enter into contract with any of its reserved players, who shall, while reserved to such club, play with any other club.

MESSRS. DAY and REACH were appointed a committee to confer with WILLIAM WILLIAMS in relation to his base indicator and patent improved bat.

MRSSRS. A. G. MILLS, N. E. YOUNG and JNO. B. DAY were appointed as members of the Arbitration Committee to represent the League.

On motion the forms submitted by PRESIDENT MILLS in relation to the National Agreement were unanimously approved.

The form of League contract recommended by the committee was adopted.

On motion the thanks of the League were unanimously tendered to the officers of the Buffalo Club for their very generous and hospitable treatment.

No further business appearing, on motion adjourned.

(Signed)
N. E. YOUNG,
Secretary.

A. G. MILLS,
President.

OFFICERS AND PLAYERS.

The following is an official list of the Officers of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs, and Officers, and Players of Clubs, members thereof, for the season of 1884, so far as completed, March 8, 1884.

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RECORD OF LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

Since the Formation of the League in
1876. to and Including 1883.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES FOR 1876.

	Chicago.	Hartford.	St. Louis.	Boston.	Louisville.	Mutual.	Athletic.	Cincinnati.	Games Played.	Games Lost.	Games Won.
Chicago.....	...	6	4	9	9	7	7	10	66	14	52
Hartford.....	4	...	4	8	9	4	9	9	68	21	47
St. Louis.....	6	6	...	6	6	6	8	7	64	19	45
Boston.....	1	2	4	...	5	8	9	10	70	31	39
Louisville.....	1	1	4	5	...	5	6	2	66	36	30
Mutual.....	1	4	1	2	3	...	3	7	56	35	21
Athletic.....	1	1	0	1	2	4	...	5	59	45	14
Cincinnati.....	0	1	2	0	2	1	3	...	65	56	9
Games Lost.....	14	21	19	31	36	35	45	56	514	257	257

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES FOR 1877.

	Boston.	Louisville.	Hartford.	St. Louis.	Chicago.	Games Played.	Games Lost.	Games Won.
Boston.....	...	8	7	6	10	48	17	31
Louisville.....	4	...	6	10	8	48	20	28
Hartford.....	5	6	...	5	8	48	24	24
St. Louis.....	6	2	4	...	4	48	29	19
Chicago.....	2	4	7	8	...	48	30	18
Games Lost.....	17	20	24	29	30	240	120	120

52 LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES FOR 1878.

	Boston.	Cincinnati.	Providence.	Chicago.	Indianapolis.	Milwaukee.	Games Played.	Games Lost.	Games Won.
Boston .....	...	6	6	8	10	11	60	19	41
Cincinnati	6	...	9	10	4	8	60	23	37
Providence	6	3	...	6	10	8	60	27	33
Chicago	4	2	6	...	8	10	60	30	30
Indianapolis	2	2	2	4	...	8	60	36	24
Milwaukee	1	4	4	2	4	...	60	45	15
Games Lost	19	23	27	30	36	45	360	180	180

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES FOR 1879.

	Providence.	Boston.	Chicago.	Buffalo.	Cincinnati.	Cleveland.	Troy City.	Syracuse.	Games Played.	Games Lost.	Games Won.
Providence .....	...	8	7	6	10	8	10	6	78	23	55
Boston	4	...	4	9	7	10	11	4	78	29	49
Chicago	5	8	...	6	3	8	8	6	76	32	44
Buffalo	6	3	6	...	7	8	11	3	76	32	44
Cincinnati	2	5	8	3	...	8	9	3	74	36	38
Cleveland	4	2	4	4	4	...	5	1	77	53	24
Troy City	2	1	3	1	2	6	...	4	75	56	19
Syracuse	0	2	0	3	3	5	2	...	42	27	15
Games Lost	23	29	32	32	36	53	56	27	576	288	288

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES FOR 1880

	Chicago.	Providence.	Cleveland.	Troy City.	Worcester.	Boston.	Buffalo.	Cincinnati.	Games Played.	Games Lost.	Games Won.
Chicago .....	...	9	8	10	10	9	11	10	84	17	67
Providence	3	...	9	7	6	7	10	10	84	32	52
Cleveland	4	3	...	9	6	7	9	9	84	37	47
Troy City	2	5	3	...	5	5	11	10	83	42	41
Worcester	2	6	6	7	...	8	3	8	83	43	40
Boston	3	5	5	4	4	...	9	9	84	44	40
Buffalo	1	2	3	1	9	3	...	5	82	58	24
Cincinnati	2	2	3	1	3	5	5	...	80	59	21
Games Lost	17	32	37	42	43	44	58	59	664	332	332

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES FOR 1881.

	Chicago....	Providence.	Buffalo.	Detroit.	Troy City.	Boston.	Cleveland.	Worcester.	Games Played.	Games Lost.	Games Won.
Chicago	3	9	7	7	8	10	6	9	84	28	56
Providence	5	2	5	8	6	7	9	9	34	37	47
Buffalo	5	4	3	9	3	3	2	6	33	38	45
Detroit	5	4	3	2	7	8	7	7	34	43	41
Troy City	4	6	9	5	2	5	6	4	34	45	39
Boston	2	5	4	4	7	2	2	2	33	45	38
Cleveland	6	3	5	5	4	4	2	2	24	48	36
Worcester	3	3	5	5	2	3	5	5	32	50	32
Games Lost.....	28	37	38	43	45	45	48	50	668	334	334

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES FOR 1882.

	Chicago.	Providence.	Buffalo.	Boston.	Cleveland.	Detroit.	Troy City.	Worcester.	Games Played.	Games Lost.	Games Won.
Chicago.....	8	6	6	6	9	2	9	9	24	29	55
Providence.....	4	6	6	6	2	2	9	10	24	32	52
Buffalo.....	6	6	5	6	5	5	6	11	34	39	45
Boston.....	6	7	7	7	7	4	4	7	34	39	45
Cleveland.....	3	4	6	5	4	4	9	11	32	40	42
Detroit.....	4	3	7	7	7	2	2	9	33	41	42
Troy City.....	3	3	6	2	2	4	9	9	33	48	35
Worcester.....	3	2	1	5	1	3	3	3	34	66	18
	29	32	39	39	40	41	48	66	668	334	334

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES FOR 1883.

1883.											
	Boston.	Chicago.	Providence.	Cleveland.	Buffalo.	New York.	Detroit.	Philadelphia.	Games Won.		
Boston.....	7	7	2	10	7	7	10	14	63		
Chicago.....	4	7	7	6	9	9	9	12	53		
Providence.....	2	2	2	6	7	7	12	11	58		
Cleveland.....	2	2	2	7	7	7	9	12	55		
Buffalo.....	7	7	7	7	7	7	9	9	52		
New York.....	4	2	2	5	5	5	6	12	46		
Detroit.....	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	11	40		
Philadelphia.....	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	1	17		
Games Lost.....	35	39	40	42	45	50	58	81	390		

**BATTING AVERAGES OF PLAYERS WHO HAVE TAKEN PART IN
LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES FOR THREE OR
MORE SEASONS.**

1876 to 1883, Both Inclusive.

NAME.	Rank.	Number of Seasons Played.	Number of Games Played.	Times at Bat.	First Bases.	Percentage of Base Hits per times at Bat.
Adrian C. Anson	1	8	569	2,418	860	.355
Dennis Brouthers	2	4	285	1,209	417	.344
Rodger Connor	3	4	342	1,441	473	.328
Calvin A. McVey	4	3	171	784	252	.321
Geo. F. Gore	5	5	383	1,633	522	.319
A. Dalrymple	6	6	456	2,076	655	.315
James L. White	6	8	537	2,278	718	.315
Paul A. Hines	7	8	598	2,695	843	.312
James O'Rourke	8	8	603	2,655	822	.309
Roscoe C. Barnes	8	4	228	1,032	319	.309
Joseph Start	9	8	558	2,493	762	.305
Fred. Dunlap	10	4	334	1,450	437	.301
M. J. Kelly	11	6	479	2,068	620	.299
Chas. W. Jones	12	4	271	1,163	347	.298
L. P. Dickerson	13	4	248	1,085	318	.293
E. M. Gross	14	4	221	874	252	.288
J. E. Whitney	15	3	220	938	268	.285
C. J. Foley	16	5	303	1,296	368	.284
Chas. W. Bennett	16	5	343	1,352	384	.284
Thomas Burns	17	4	347	1,425	402	.282
Geo. Shaffer	18	7	521	2,137	602	.281
H. Richardson	18	5	414	1,750	493	.281
J. C. Rowe	19	4	299	1,240	347	.279
Jno. F. Morrill	20	8	602	2,439	676	.277
Wm. Ewing	20	3	222	954	265	.277
Geo. A. Wood	21	4	336	1,440	398	.276
P. Gillespie	21	4	332	1,383	383	.276
Martin J. Powell	21	3	229	950	263	.276
Jno. E. Clapp	22	7	398	1,688	465	.275
Jno. A. Peters	22	6	384	1,700	468	.275
E. B. Sutton	23	8	575	2,356	647	.274
H. D. Stovey	24	3	239	1,041	284	.272
Jno. Farrell	24	5	402	1,742	475	.272
Joseph Horning	25	5	425	1,799	488	.271
Wm. M. Crowley	26	4	261	1,068	289	.270
Thomas York	27	8	566	2,291	617	.269
Robert Ferguson	27	8	538	2,309	596	.269
James Halliman	27	3	85	378	102	.269
E. N. Williamson	28	6	473	1,949	525	.269
Wm. A. Purcell	28	5	377	1,627	437	.268

BATTING AVERAGES OF PLAYERS—CONTINUED.

NAME	Rank.	Number of Seasons Played.	Number of Games Played.	Times at Bat.	First Bases.	Percentage of Base Hits per times at Bat.
P. J. Hotaling.....	29	5	413	1,781	474	.266
W. B. Phillips.....	30	5	419	1,744	456	.261
Philip Powers.....		3	98	371	97	.261
Timothy Murnan.....	31	3	143	603	157	.260
J. W. Glasscock.....		5	415	1,668	434	.260
Lewis J. Brown.....	32	5	252	1,042	270	.259
Jno. J. Burdock.....		8	598	2,505	650	.259
Andrew J. Leonard.....	33	4	203	917	237	.258
A. A. Irwin.....	34	4	314	1,284	332	.258
M. C. Dorgan.....	35	5	304	1,299	334	.257
J. Lee Richmond.....	36	4	238	968	248	.256
M. J. Kennedy.....		3	151	593	152	.255
J. J. Gerhardt.....	37	5	330	1,357	346	.255
Jeremiah Denny.....		3	266	1,038	265	.255
F. S. Flint.....	38	6	451	1,794	457	.254
Geo. Wright.....	39	5	307	1,415	358	.253
J. P. Cassidy.....		7	416	1,718	433	.252
S. P. Houck.....	40	4	312	1,289	325	.252
Jno. Manning.....		4	275	1,151	291	.252
Edward Hanlon.....		4	323	1,309	329	.251
Thomas Carey.....	41	4	257	1,097	276	.251
Chas. Radbourne.....		3	242	974	245	.251
M. Welch.....	42	4	223	848	212	.250
Jno. M. Ward.....	43	6	453	1,916	477	.248
Frank Larkin.....	44	3	163	635	157	.247
Jno. J. Remsen.....		5	240	965	233	.241
M. H. McGeary.....	45	5	271	1,155	279	.241
F. J. R. Warner.....		3	155	609	147	.241
Alonzo Knight.....		4	269	1,113	268	.240
David Egler.....	46	4	178	737	177	.240
E. J. Caskins.....	47	4	304	1,241	297	.239
Douglas Allison.....	48	3	81	315	75	.238
W. B. Foley.....	49	3	168	662	157	.237
Wm. L. Hagne.....		4	225	962	228	.237
W. A. Harbidge.....	50	5	224	895	212	.236
F. E. Goldsmith.....		4	179	718	169	.235
Geo. W. Bradley.....	51	6	336	1,319	311	.235
Jacob Evans.....	52	5	367	1,424	332	.233
James McCormick.....	53	6	344	1,336	311	.232
Jno. Nelson.....	54	3	69	286	66	.229
Thos. H. Bond.....		5	292	1,150	263	.228
Jos. L. Quest.....	55	6	372	1,459	333	.228
S. W. Trott.....	56	3	137	540	123	.227
James F. Galvin.....	57	5	325	1,250	279	.223

BATTING AVERAGES OF PLAYERS—CONTINUED.

NAME.	Rank.	Number of Seasons Played.	Number of Games Played.	Times at Bat.	First Bases.	Percentage of Base Hits per times at Bat.
Chas. Riley.....	58	3	109	409	91	.222
F. H. Corey.....	59	3	151	587	130	.221
Jno. Richmond.....	60	4	158	618	136	.220
Chas. N. Snyder.....	60	5	306	1,196	264	.220
W. W. Carpenter.....	61	3	220	889	194	.218
Frank Hankinson....	62	5	341	1,297	281	.216
Lawrence Corcoran.....	63	4	224	899	193	.214
Geo. Creamer.....	64	5	308	1,139	243	.213
David W. Force.....	65	7	505	1,989	416	.209
W. H. Holbert.....	66	6	286	1,066	221	.207
W. H. McClellan.....	67	3	189	780	161	.206
B. Gilligan.....	68	5	252	942	188	.199
Geo. H. Derby.....	69	3	112	433	86	.198
Rob't Matthews.....	70	4	177	688	135	.196
A. J. Bushong.....	71	4	242	864	161	.186
Geo. E. Weidman.....	72	3	144	560	101	.180
W. H. White.....	73	3	186	683	100	.146

Record of Championship Games Played during the Season of 1883.

DATE, 1883.	NAMES OF CONTESTANTS.	WHERE PLAYED.	WINNING CLUB.	RUNS SCORED.	
				Winning Club.	Losing Club.
May	1 Cleveland vs. Buffalo.....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	7	4
"	1 Detroit vs. Chicago.....	Detroit....	Detroit....	7	4
"	1 Philadelphia vs. Providence..	Philad'phia	Providence	4	3
"	1 New York vs. Boston.....	New York..	New York..	7	5
"	2 " ".....	"	"	3	2
"	2 Detroit vs. Chicago.....	Detroit....	Chicago...	5	3
"	2 Cleveland vs. Buffalo.....	Cleveland..	Buffalo....	3	0
"	2 Philadelphia vs. Providence..	Philad'phia	Providence	4	1
"	3 " ".....	"	"	24	6
"	3 Cleveland vs. Buffalo.....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	3	1
"	3 Detroit vs. Chicago.....	Detroit....	Chicago...	10	1
"	3 New York vs. Boston.....	New York..	New York..	10	9
"	4 " vs. Providence.....	"	Providence	11	3
"	4 Philadelphia vs. Boston.....	Philad'phia	Boston....	11	10
"	5 " ".....	"	"	5	3
"	5 New York vs. Providence.....	New York..	Providence	3	1
"	5 Chicago vs. Detroit.....	Chicago...	Detroit....	13	2
"	5 Buffalo vs. Cleveland.....	Buffalo....	Buffalo....	8	4
"	7 " ".....	"	Cleveland..	5	4
"	7 Chicago vs. Detroit.....	Chicago...	Detroit....	7	0
"	7 New York vs. Providence.....	New York..	Providence	14	2
"	7 Philadelphia vs. Boston.....	Philad'phia	Boston....	20	8
"	8 Buffalo vs. Cleveland.....	Buffalo....	Buffalo....	6	2
"	9 Chicago vs. Detroit.....	Chicago...	Detroit....	17	7
"	10 Cleveland vs. Providence.....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	5	2
"	11 " ".....	"	Providence	2	1
"	11 Chicago vs. Philadelphia.....	Chicago...	Chicago...	11	9
"	11 Buffalo vs. Boston.....	Buffalo....	Buffalo....	12	4
"	11 Detroit vs. New York.....	Detroit....	Detroit....	12	1
"	12 Chicago vs. Philadelphia.....	Chicago...	Chicago...	6	1
"	12 Detroit vs. New York.....	Detroit....	Detroit....	9	5
"	12 Cleveland vs. Providence.....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	4	2
"	12 Buffalo vs. Boston.....	Buffalo....	Boston....	16	5
"	14 Chicago vs. Philadelphia.....	Chicago...	Philad'phia	12	1
"	15 " New York.....	"	Chicago...	8	7
"	15 Cleveland vs. Boston.....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	2	1
"	15 Buffalo vs. Providence.....	Buffalo....	Buffalo....	5	4
"	15 Detroit vs. Philadelphia.....	Detroit....	Philad'phia	4	3
"	16 " ".....	"	Detroit....	11	10
"	16 Buffalo vs. Providence.....	Buffalo....	Providence	9	4
"	16 Chicago vs. New York.....	Chicago...	Chicago...	6	2
"	16 Cleveland vs. Boston.....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	6	2
"	17 " ".....	"	"	11	1
"	17 Chicago vs. New York.....	Chicago...	Chicago...	15	2
"	17 Buffalo vs. Providence.....	Buffalo....	Providence	13	9
"	17 Detroit vs. Philadelphia.....	Detroit....	Detroit....	12	6
"	18 " New York.....	"	New York..	11	6
"	19 " Providence.....	"	Detroit....	7	5

DATE, 1883.	NAMES OF CONTESTANTS	WHERE PLAYED.	WINNING CLUB.	RUNS SCORED.	
				Winning Club.	Losing Club.
June 26	Providence vs. Philadelphia....	Providence	Philad'phia	4	0
" 27	" " " " " " " "	"	Providence	8	0
" 27	Detroit vs. Chicago.....	Detroit....	Chicago....	6	2
" 27	Cleveland vs. Buffalo.....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	4	2
" 28	Detroit vs. Cleveland.....	Detroit....	" " " "	5	4
" 28	Boston vs. New York.....	Boston....	Boston....	18	8
" 29	New York vs. Philadelphia....	New York..	New York..	7	6
" 29	Providence vs. Boston.....	Providence	Providence	5	2
" 29	Detroit vs. Cleveland.....	Detroit....	Cleveland..	8	3
" 29	Chicago vs. Buffalo.....	Chicago....	Chicago....	5	3
" 30	" " " " " " " "	" " " "	" " " "	8	7
" 30	Boston vs. Providence.....	Boston....	Boston....	3	2
" 30	Detroit vs. Cleveland.....	Detroit....	Cleveland..	6	3
" 30	Philadelphia vs. New York....	Philad'phia	New York..	8	6
July 2	" " " " " " " "	" " " "	" " " "	7	6
" 2	Boston vs. Providence.....	Boston....	Boston....	6	1
" 2	Chicago vs. Buffalo.....	Chicago....	Chicago....	12	7
" 2	Detroit vs. Cleveland.....	Detroit....	Cleveland..	15	5
" 3	New York vs. Philadelphia....	New York..	New York..	11	8
" 3	Chicago vs. Buffalo.....	Chicago....	Chicago....	31	7
" 3	Providence vs. Boston.....	Providence	Providence	4	0
" 4	Philad'l'a vs. Providence, A. M.	Philad'phia	" " " "	*11	9
" 4	" " " " " " " " " Boston, P. M.	" " " "	Boston....	17	8
" 4	New York vs. " " " " " " " " " A. M.	New York..	New York..	10	7
" 4	" " " " " " " " " Providence, P.M.	" " " "	" " " "	1	0
" 4	Chicago vs. Cleveland, A. M.	Chicago....	Cleveland..	10	6
" 4	" " " " " " " " " P. M.	" " " "	Chicago....	5	1
" 4	Detroit vs. Buffalo.....	Detroit....	Buffalo ..	5	3
" 5	New York vs. Providence.....	New York..	Providence	18	1
" 5	Detroit vs. Buffalo.....	Detroit....	Detroit....	8	1
" 6	" " " " " " " " " " " " " "	" " " "	" " " "	3	2
" 6	Chicago vs. Cleveland.....	Chicago....	Cleveland..	3	2
" 6	Philadelphia vs. Boston.....	Philad'phia	Boston....	13	6
" 7	" " " " " " " " " " " " " "	" " " "	" " " "	15	4
" 7	New York vs. Providence.....	New York..	Providence	5	3
" 7	Chicago vs. Cleveland.....	Chicago....	Cleveland..	7	6
" 9	Detroit vs. Providence.....	Detroit....	Providence	0	1
" 9	Buffalo vs. New York.....	Buffalo ..	Buffalo ..	4	1
" 10	" " " " " " " " " " " " " "	" " " "	" " " "	5	3
" 10	Cleveland vs. Philadelphia....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	8	4
" 10	Chicago vs. Providence.....	Chicago....	Chicago....	11	8
" 10	Detroit vs. Boston.....	Detroit....	Boston....	14	13
" 11	" " " " " " " " " " " " " "	" " " "	" " " "	6	2
" 11	Chicago vs. Providence.....	Chicago....	Providence	14	11
" 11	Buffalo vs. New York.....	Buffalo ..	New York..	7	4
" 11	Cleveland vs. Philadelphia....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	5	1
" 12	" " " " " " " " " " " " " "	" " " "	" " " "	10	9
" 12	Chicago vs. Providence.....	Chicago....	Chicago....	6	5
" 12	Buffalo vs. New York.....	Buffalo ..	Buffalo ..	9	8
" 13	" " " " " " " " " " " " " "	" " " "	" " " "	6	3
" 13	Detroit vs. Boston.....	Detroit....	Detroit....	7	3

*Forfeited by Providence.

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES.—Continued.

DATE, 1883.	NAMES OF CONTESTANTS.	WHERE PLAYED.	WINNING CLUB.	RUNS SCORED.	
				Winning Club.	Losing Club.
July 13	Cleveland vs. Philadelphia...	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	10	1
" 14	" " "	" "	" "	9	2
" 14	Detroit vs. Boston.	Detroit ...	Detroit ...	5	2
" 14	Chicago vs. Providence.	Chicago ...	Chicago ...	4	3
" 14	Buffalo vs. New York.	Buffalo ...	New York..	11	8
" 17	" " Philadelphia.....	" "	Buffalo ...	21	6
" 17	Cleveland vs. New York.	Cleveland..	New York..	4	2
" 17	Chicago vs. Boston.	Chicago...	Chicago...	4	0
" 17	Detroit vs. Providence.	Detroit ..	Providence	4	2
" 18	" " "	" "	" "	13	5
" 18	Chicago vs. Boston.	Chicago...	Chicago...	9	0
" 18	Cleveland vs. New York.	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	10	1
" 18	Buffalo vs. Philadelphia.	Buffalo ...	Philadel'ia.	7	5
" 19	" " "	" "	Buffalo ...	25	5
" 19	Cleveland vs. New York.	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	5	4
" 19	Detroit vs. Providence.	Detroit ...	Providence	7	3
" 19	Chicago vs. Boston.	Chicago...	Chicago...	6	4
" 20	Cleveland vs. New York.	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	9	5
" 21	" " "	" "	New York..	2	0
" 21	Chicago vs. Boston.	Chicago ...	Boston ...	3	2
" 21	Detroit vs. Providence.	Detroit ...	Providence	7	5
" 21	Buffalo vs. Philadelphia.	Buffalo ...	Buffalo ...	7	4
" 23	" " Boston.	" "	" "	3	2
" 24	" " "	" "	" "	5	3
" 24	Chicago vs. Philadelphia.	Chicago...	Chicago...	7	6
" 25	" " "	" "	" "	11	2
" 25	Cleveland vs. Providence.	Cleveland..	Providence	8	0
" 25	Detroit vs. New York.	Detroit ...	Detroit ...	1	0
" 25	Buffalo vs. Boston.	Buffalo ...	Boston ...	9	0
" 26	" " "	" "	Buffalo ...	7	4
" 26	Cleveland vs. Providence.	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	5	2
" 26	Detroit vs. New York.	Detroit ...	Detroit ...	2	0
" 26	Chicago vs. Philadelphia.	Chicago...	Chicago...	17	5
" 27	Detroit vs. New York.	Detroit...	New York..	3	2
" 28	" " "	" "	Detroit ...	4	2
" 28	Cleveland vs. Providence. ...	Cleveland..	Providence	9	2
" 28	Chicago vs. Philadelphia.	Chicago...	Philadel'ia	6	2
" 28	Buffalo vs. Boston.	Buffalo ...	Buffalo ...	7	5
" 30	Cleveland vs. Providence.	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	7	2
" 31	" " Boston	" "	Boston...	8	4
" 31	Chicago vs. New York.	Chicago...	Chicago...	6	5
" 31	Buffalo vs. Providence.	Buffalo ...	Buffalo ...	8	1
" 31	Detroit vs. Philadelphia.	Detroit ...	Detroit ...	9	4
Aug. 1	" " "	" "	" "	7	1
" 1	Buffalo vs. Providence.	Buffalo ...	Buffalo ...	3	1
" 1	Chicago vs. New York.	Chicago...	New York..	5	0
" 1	Cleveland vs. Boston.	Cleveland..	Boston...	10	3
" 2	" " "	" "	" "	4	1
" 2	Chicago vs. New York.	Chicago...	Chicago...	5	1
" 2	Buffalo vs. Providence.	Buffalo ...	Buffalo ...	9	3
" 2	Detroit vs. Philadelphia.	Detroit ...	Detroit ...	6	6

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES—Continued.

DATE, 1883.	NAMES OF CONTESTANTS.	WHERE PLAYED.	WINNING CLUB.	RUNS SCORED.	
				Winning Club.	Losing Club.
Aug.	4 Detroit vs. Philadelphia.....	Detroit....	Philad'phia	6	0
"	4 Buffalo vs. Providence	Buffalo	Buffalo ...	16	11
"	4 Chicago vs. New York	Chicago....	Chicago....	5	3
"	4 Cleveland vs. Boston.....	Cleveland..	Boston.....	7	3
"	7 Philadelphia vs. New York....	Philad'phia	New York..	4	1
"	7 Providence vs. Boston.....	Providence	Boston.....	6	4
"	7 Detroit vs. Chicago	Detroit.....	Detroit....	6	0
"	7 Cleveland vs. Buffalo	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	5	1
"	8 " "	"	Buffalo	14	11
"	8 Boston vs. Providence	Boston.....	Boston.....	10	2
"	8 New York vs. Philadelphia....	New York..	New York..	5	4
"	8 Detroit vs. Chicago	Detroit.....	Detroit....	5	1
"	9 " "	"	Chicago....	6	3
"	9 Boston vs. Providence.....	Boston.....	Boston.....	1	0
"	9 Cleveland vs. Buffalo	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	14	5
"	9 Philad'phia vs. New York....	Philad'phia	Philad'phia	7	3
"	11 New York vs. Philadelphia....	New York..	New York..	5	2
"	11 Boston vs. Providence.....	Boston.....	Providence	6	2
"	11 Buffalo vs. Chicago	Buffalo....	Chicago....	4	2
"	11 Cleveland vs. Detroit.....	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	5	0
"	13 " "	"	Detroit....	4	2
"	13 Buffalo vs. Chicago	Buffalo	Chicago....	14	8
"	13 New York vs. Philadelphia....	New York..	New York..	8	1
"	14 Providence vs. New York	Providence	"	9	6
"	14 Boston vs. Philadelphia.....	Boston.....	Boston.....	7	0
"	14 Buffalo vs. Chicago	Buffalo	Buffalo	19	17
"	14 Cleveland vs. Detroit.....	Cleveland..	Detroit....	5	0
"	15 " "	"	"	8	4
"	15 Providence vs. New York.....	Providence	Providence	11	5
"	15 Boston vs. Philadelphia.....	Boston.....	Boston.....	9	4
"	15 Buffalo vs. Chicago	Buffalo	Buffalo	4	3
"	16 " "	"	"	5	2
"	17 Buffalo vs. Detroit.....	"	"	10	9
"	17 Cleveland vs. Chicago	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	5	4
"	17 Providence vs. New York.....	Providence	New York..	7	6
"	17 Boston vs. Philadelphia.....	Boston.....	Boston.....	6	3
"	18 Boston vs. New York.....	"	New York..	4	2
"	18 Cleveland vs. Chicago	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	12	2
"	18 Buffalo vs. Detroit.....	Buffalo	Buffalo	3	2
"	18 Providence vs. Philadelphia....	Providence	Providence	9	4
"	20 Cleveland vs. Chicago	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	4	3
"	20 Buffalo vs. Detroit.....	Buffalo	Buffalo	12	1
"	21 " "	"	"	6	4
"	21 Boston vs. New York.....	Boston.....	Boston.....	15	8
"	21 Cleveland vs. Chicago	Cleveland..	Cleveland..	6	5
"	21 Providence vs. Philadelphia....	Providence	Providence	28	0
"	22 " "	"	"	8	2
"	22 Detroit vs. Buffalo.....	Detroit	Detroit	7	6
"	22 Cleveland vs. Chicago	Cleveland..	Chicago....	8	2
"	22 Boston vs. New York.....	Boston.....	New York..	18	10
"	23 Chicago vs. Buffalo.....	Chicago	Chicago....	3	1

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES.—*Continued.*

DATE, 1883.	NAMES OF CONTESTANTS.	WHERE PLAYED.	WINNING CLUB.	RUNS SCORED.	
				Winning Club.	Losing Club.
Aug. 23	Detroit vs. Cleveland.....	Detroit...	Detroit....	6	5
" 24	Chicago vs. Buffalo.....	Chicago...	Chicago..	4	1
" 24	New York vs. Philadelphia....	New York..	New York.	9	3
" 24	Providence vs. Boston.....	Providence	Providence	3	1
" 25	Chicago vs. Buffalo.....	Chicago....	Chicago....	18	14
" 25	Boston vs. Providence.....	Boston....	Boston....	3	2
" 25	Philadelphia vs. New York....	Philad'phia	New York..	5	2
" 25	Detroit vs. Cleveland.....	Detroit....	Cleveland..	3	1
" 27	" ".....	".....	".....	7	4
" 28	Boston vs. Providence.....	Boston....	Boston....	14	1
" 28	New York vs. Philadelphia....	New York..	New York.	9	3
" 29	Chicago vs. Cleveland.....	Chicago...	Chicago....	7	0
" 29	Detroit vs. Buffalo.....	Detroit....	Detroit....	8	2
" 30	" ".....	".....	Buffalo....	6	4
" 30	Chicago vs. Cleveland.....	Chicago....	Chicago....	9	1
" 30	Philadelphia vs. Providence..	Philad'phia	Providence	11	5
" 30	New York vs. Boston.....	New York..	Boston....	5	3
" 31	" ".....	".....	".....	4	2
" 31	Philadelphia vs. Providence..	Philad'phia	Providence	6	3
Sept. 1	Philadelphia vs. Boston.....	".....	Boston....	7	0
" 1	Chicago vs. Cleveland.....	Chicago...	Chicago....	21	7
" 1	New York vs. Providence.....	New York..	New York.	6	4
" 3	Philadelphia vs. Providence..	Philad'phia	Philad'phia	6	3
" 3	Detroit vs. Buffalo.....	Detroit....	Buffalo....	12	4
" 4	New York vs. Boston.....	New York..	Boston....	8	2
" 4	Chicago vs. Detroit.....	Chicago...	Chicago....	13	1
" 4	Buffalo vs. Cleveland.....	Buffalo....	Buffalo....	9	1
" 5	" ".....	".....	Cleveland..	6	1
" 5	Chicago vs. Detroit.....	Chicago....	Chicago....	14	1
" 6	" ".....	".....	".....	26	6
" 6	Buffalo vs. Cleveland.....	Buffalo....	Buffalo....	7	2
" 6	Providence vs. Boston.....	Providence	Providence	6	1
" 7	" ".....	".....	".....	8	1
" 7	Philadelphia vs. New York....	Philad'phia	Philad'phia	11	9
" 8	" ".....	".....	New York..	16	6
" 8	Buffalo vs. Cleveland.....	Buffalo....	Buffalo....	13	1
" 8	Boston vs. Providence.....	Boston..	Boston....	4	3
" 8	Chicago vs. Detroit.....	Chicago....	Chicago....	12	8
" 10	Boston vs. Chicago.....	Boston....	Boston....	4	2
" 11	" ".....	".....	".....	3	2
" 11	New York vs. Buffalo.....	New York..	Buffalo....	4	1
" 11	Providence vs. Detroit.....	Providence	Providence	7	0
" 12	Boston vs. Chicago.....	Boston....	Boston....	11	2
" 13	" ".....	".....	".....	3	1
" 13	Philadelphia vs. Cleveland..	Philad'phia	Cleveland..	1	0
" 13	Providence vs. Detroit.....	Providence	Providence	9	6
" 14	New York vs. Buffalo.....	New York..	New York.	4	1
" 14	Phila. vs. Cleveland, A. M.....	Philad'phia	Cleveland..	5	3
" 14	" "..... P. M.....	".....	".....	5	1
" 14	Providence vs. Detroit.....	Providence	Providence	2	1
" 15	Boston vs. Detroit.....	Boston....	Boston....	6	4

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES.—*Continued.*

DATE, 1883.	NAMES OF CONTESTANTS.	WINNING CLUB.	WHERE PLAYED.	RUNS SCORED.	
				WINNING CLUB.	LOSING CLUB.
Sept. 15	Providence vs. Chicago.....	Providence	Chicago....	8	7
" 15	Philadelphia vs. Buffalo.....	Philadel'ia	Buffalo....	6	5
" 17	New York vs. Cleveland....	New York..	New York..	5	0
" 18	Boston vs. Detroit.....	Boston....	Boston....	11	5
" 18	Providence vs. Chicago.....	Providence	Chicago....	5	1
" 18	Philadelphia vs. Buffalo.....	Philadel'ia	Buffalo....	4	0
" 18	New York vs. Cleveland.....	New York..	Cleveland..	9	1
" 19	Boston vs. Detroit.....	Boston....	Boston....	3	2
" 19	Providence vs. Chicago.....	Providence	Providence	7	4
" 19	Philadelphia vs. Buffalo.....	Philadel'ia	Philadel'ia	14	8
" 20	New York vs. Cleveland.....	New York..	New York..	7	5
" 21	Providence " ".....	Providence	Providence	6	3
" 21	New York vs. Chicago.....	New York..	New York..	10	1
" 21	Boston vs. Buffalo.....	Boston....	Buffalo....	3	2
" 21	Philadelphia vs. Detroit.....	Philadel'ia	Detroit....	9	3
" 22	Providence vs. Cleveland.....	Providence	Providence	11	1
" 22	New York vs. Chicago.....	New York..	Chicago....	5	3
" 22	Boston vs. Buffalo.....	Boston....	Boston....	18	4
" 25	Providence vs. Cleveland.....	Providence	Cleveland..	3	2
" 25	New York vs. Chicago.....	New York..	Chicago....	11	10
" 25	Philadelphia vs. Detroit.....	Philadel'ia	Detroit....	8	5
" 25	Boston vs. Buffalo.....	Boston....	Boston....	8	5
" 26	" " ".....	"	"	7	5
" 26	Philadelphia vs. Detroit.....	Philadel'ia	Detroit....	14	3
" 27	" " ".....	"	Chicago....	5	3
" 27	New York vs. Detroit.....	New York..	Detroit....	10	2
" 27	Boston vs. Cleveland.....	Boston....	Boston....	4	1
" 27	Providence vs. Buffalo.....	Providence	Buffalo....	4	2
" 28	" " ".....	"	Providence	5	3
" 28	Boston vs. Cleveland.....	Boston....	Boston....	6	2
" 28	New York vs. Detroit.....	New York..	Detroit....	7	2
" 28	Philadelphia vs. Chicago.....	Philadel'ia	Chicago....	7	1
" 29	" " ".....	"	"	15	3
" 29	New York vs. Detroit.....	New York..	New York..	7	2
" 29	Boston vs. Cleveland.....	Boston....	Boston....	6	4
" 29	Providence vs. Buffalo.....	Providence	Buffalo....	7	4
Total.....				3197	1316

Total Number of Runs Scored, 4,513.

RUNS SCORED BY CLUBS					
Boston.....	668	Opponents	457	New York.....	527
Chicago.....	680	"	540	Detroit.....	498
Providence.....	634	"	438	Philadelphia.....	439
Cleveland.....	464	"	431	"	884
Buffalo.....	603	"	564	Total.....	4513
					4513

Average number of runs scored per game by winning clubs.....8.19
Average number of runs scored per game by losing clubs.....3.37

BATTING RECORD

Of Players who have taken part in fifteen or more Championship Games

DURING THE SEASON OF 1883.

Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games Played.	Times at Bat.	Runs Scored.	Ave. per Game.	First-Base Hits.	Percentage.	Total Bases.	Ave. per Game.
1	Brouthers.....	Buffalo	97	420	83	0.85	156	.371	235	2.42
2	Connor.....	New York.....	96	401	80	0.83	145	.361	204	2.12
3	Gore	Chicago	91	392	105	1.15	131	.334	179	1.96
4	Burdock	Boston	96	400	80	0.83	132	.330	188	1.95
5	Dunlap	Cleveland	90	383	79	0.87	126	.328	176	1.95
6	O'Rourke.....	Buffalo	93	430	99	1.06	141	.327	188	2.02
7	Sutton	Boston	94	414	101	1.07	134	.323	198	2.10
8	Morrill.....	"	97	404	83	0.85	129	.319	207	2.13
9	Gillespie.....	New York.....	95	404	64	0.67	127	.314	171	1.80
10	Gross.....	Philadelphia	56	227	38	0.67	71	.312	112	2.00
11	Richardson.....	Buffalo	90	393	73	0.81	122	.310	173	1.92
12	Anson	Chicago	98	413	69	0.70	127	.307	172	1.75
13	Ewing	New York.....	85	369	88	1.03	113	.306	178	2.09
14	Farrell	Providence	93	420	91	0.97	128	.304	181	1.94
15	Bennett.....	Detroit	89	358	51	0.57	108	.301	163	1.83
16	Hines.....	Providence	97	442	93	0.95	132	.298	183	1.88
17	Dalrymple...	Chicago	80	363	78	0.97	108	.297	146	1.82
18	Wood	Detroit	96	426	78	0.81	126	.295	182	1.89
19	Burns.....	Chicago	97	405	69	0.71	119	.293	174	1.79
20	Shaffer.....	Buffalo	94	396	66	0.70	116	.292	130	1.38
21	Glasscock.....	Cleveland	93	372	64	0.68	108	.290	131	1.40
22	White	Buffalo	93	387	58	0.62	112	.289	135	1.45
23	Irwin	Providence	98	406	67	0.68	116	.285	150	1.53
24	Richmond.....	"	48	194	41	0.85	55	.283	78	1.62
	Radbourn.....	"	89	381	59	0.66	108	.283	133	1.49
	Start	"	87	370	63	0.72	105	.283	138	1.58
25	Whitney.....	Boston	96	410	78	0.81	116	.282	177	1.84
26	Hornung.....	"	98	446	106	1.08	124	.278	199	2.02
27	Williamson.....	Chicago	98	402	83	0.84	111	.276	175	1.78
28	Rowe	Buffalo	86	370	64	0.74	102	.275	136	1.58
29	Denny	Providence	98	393	73	0.74	108	.274	172	1.75
	Wise	Boston	95	406	73	0.76	110	.270	162	1.70
30	Purcell.....	Philadelphia	96	422	71	0.73	114	.270	146	1.52
	Foley	Buffalo	23	111	22	0.95	30	.270	39	1.69
31	Powell	Detroit	97	408	74	0.76	109	.267	135	1.39
32	Flint	Chicago	84	332	57	0.67	88	.265	117	1.39
	Manning.....	Philadelphia.....	97	418	60	0.61	111	.265	149	1.53
33	Carroll	Providence	58	238	37	0.63	63	.264	80	1.38
34	Ward	New York.....	88	379	76	0.86	98	.258	149	1.69
35	Ferguson.....	Philadelphia	85	328	38	0.44	84	.256	98	1.15
36	York	Cleveland.....	97	368	53	0.54	94	.255	138	1.42
	Hotaling.....	"	97	411	52	0.53	105	.255	135	1.39

BATTING RECORD.—Continued.

Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games Played.	Times at Bat.	Runs Scored.	Ave. per Game.	First-Base Hits.	Percentage.	Total Bases.	Ave. per Game.
37	Kelly	Chicago	98	430	92	0.93	109	.253	163	1.66
38	Houck	Detroit	98	402	46	0.47	101	.251	137	1.39
39	Lewis	Philadelphia	38	162	23	0.60	40	.247	47	1.23
40	Farrell	Detroit	98	430	57	0.58	106	.246	125	1.27
41	Hanlon	"	97	399	64	0.66	98	.245	117	1.20
42	Phillips	Cleveland	94	372	42	0.44	91	.244	129	1.37
43	Eggler	Buffalo	37	148	12	0.32	36	.243	40	1.08
44	Nava	Providence	27	100	18	0.66	24	.240	32	1.18
45	Welch	New York	81	313	42	0.51	75	.239	105	1.29
46	Caskins	"	93	377	46	0.49	90	.238	108	1.16
47	Buffington	Boston	86	341	28	0.32	81	.237	98	1.14
	Derby	Buffalo	15	59	10	0.66	14	.237	15	1.00
	Cassidy	Providence	89	366	46	0.51	87	.237	113	1.27
	Dorgan	New York	62	255	32	0.51	60	.235	74	1.19
48	McCormick	Cleveland	41	157	21	0.51	37	.235	43	1.04
	Evans	"	89	327	36	0.40	77	.235	91	1.02
	Pfeffer	Chicago	96	371	41	0.42	87	.234	126	1.31
	Hackett	Boston	46	179	20	0.43	42	.234	69	1.50
49	Trott	Detroit	73	283	24	0.32	66	.233	80	1.09
	Quest	"	35	137	22	0.62	32	.233	44	1.25
	Warner	Philadelphia	38	137	13	0.34	32	.233	40	1.05
	Coleman	"	89	353	31	0.34	82	.232	104	1.16
51	Briody	Cleveland	39	142	23	0.59	33	.232	38	0.97
	Lillie	Buffalo	50	203	26	0.52	47	.231	61	1.22
	McClellan	Philadelphia	78	326	46	0.59	75	.230	107	1.37
	Farrar	"	98	373	43	0.43	86	.230	118	1.20
54	Hines	Boston	61	232	38	0.62	53	.228	68	1.11
55	Muldoon	Cleveland	95	369	54	0.56	83	.224	109	1.14
	Goldsmith	Chicago	60	225	38	0.63	52	.221	72	1.20
	Harbidge	Philadelphia	73	280	34	0.46	62	.221	81	1.10
	Hankinson	New York	91	330	4	0.45	73	.221	103	1.13
57	Galvin	Buffalo	79	317	41	0.51	70	.220	87	1.10
58	Mansell	Detroit	34	133	22	0.64	29	.218	35	1.03
	Sweeney	Providence	21	87	9	0.43	19	.218	21	1.00
	Smith	Boston	29	115	10	0.34	25	.217	34	1.17
	Troy	New York	82	310	37	0.45	67	.216	79	0.96
60	Force	Buffalo	95	375	41	0.43	80	.213	93	0.97
61	Corcoran	Chicago	66	265	40	0.60	55	.207	79	1.19
62	Radford	Boston	71	258	46	0.65	53	.205	65	0.91
63	Doyle	Philadelphia	16	64	1	0.66	13	.203	14	0.87
64	Gilligan	Providence	72	262	34	0.47	52	.198	69	0.95
65	Burns	Detroit	36	135	10	0.27	26	.192	35	0.97
66	Shaw	"	38	137	11	0.29	26	.189	27	0.71
67	Ringo	Philadelphia	57	218	23	0.40	40	.183	50	0.87
68	Clapp	New York	19	73	6	0.31	13	.178	13	0.68
69	O'Neill	"	23	84	7	0.30	15	.178	18	0.78
	Weidman	Detroit	76	300	31	0.40	52	.173	64	0.84
	Bushong	Cleveland	61	209	14	0.22	36	.172	41	0.67
	Neagle	Philadelphia	18	73	5	0.28	12	.164	13	0.72
72	Humphries	New York	26	102	5	0.19	12	.117	13	0.50
73	Daily	Cleveland	42	137	17	0.40	15	.109	16	0.38
74	Hagan	Philadelphia	16	60	3	0.19	5	.083	8	0.50
75	Pierce	New York	18	62	3	0.16	5	.080	7	0.38

FIELDING AVERAGES.

Of Players who have taken part in fifteen or more Championship Games,

SEASON OF 1883.

FIRST BASEMEN.

Rank.	NAME	CLUB.	Games Played.	Number Put Out.	Times Assisting.	Fielding Errors.	Total Chances.	Percentage of Chances Accepted
1	Morrill	Boston	80	796	21	21	838	.974
2	Phillips	Cleveland	94	924	23	30	977	.969
3	Farrar	Philadelphia	98	1031	31	37	1099	.966
4	Anson	Chicago	98	1031	41	40	1112	.964
5	Brouthers	Buffalo	97	1030	34	44	1108	.960
6	Start	Providence	87	923	29	42	994	.959
7	Connor	New York	96	941	39	44	1024	.957
8	Powell	Detroit	97	970	29	53	1052	.947

SECOND BASEMEN.

1	Farrell	Providence	93	258	365	50	673	.925
2	Burdock	Boston	96	226	292	43	561	.923
3	Dunlap	Cleveland	96	291	283	58	632	.908
4	Richardson	Buffalo	90	282	341	68	691	.901
5	Quest	Detroit	35	112	112	26	250	.896
6	Pfeffer	Chicago	79	269	264	67	600	.888
7	Trott	Detroit	36	98	90	25	213	.882
8	Troy	New York	70	168	213	57	438	.869
9	Ferguson	Philadelphia	85	258	289	88	635	.861
10	Burns	Chicago	17	59	57	28	144	.805

THIRD BASEMEN.

1	Denny	Providence	98	178	188	52	418	.875
2	Hankinson	New York	90	118	165	41	324	.873
3	Sutton	Boston	94	123	156	41	320	.871
4	Farrell	Detroit	98	104	243	64	411	.844
5	Muldoon	Cleveland	95	118	171	61	350	.825
6	Williamson	Chicago	97	112	252	87	451	.807
7	White	Buffalo	75	79	128	54	261	.793
8	Purcell	Philadelphia	47	64	114	49	227	.784
9	Warner	Philadelphia	37	46	52	29	127	.771

SHORT STOPS.

Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games Played.	Number Put Out.	Times Assisting.	Fielding Errors.	Total Chances.	Percentage of Chances Accepted.
1	Glasscock	Cleveland.....	90	126	304	38	468	.918
2	Force.....	Buffalo.....	77	75	240	42	357	.882
3	Burns.....	Chicago.....	79	123	290	56	439	.872
4	Irwin.....	Providence.....	94	93	293	63	449	.859
5	Caskins.....	New York.....	79	138	244	63	445	.858
6	Houck.....	Detroit.....	97	154	314	81	549	.852
7	McClellan.....	Philadelphia.....	76	152	259	72	483	.850
8	Wise.....	Boston.....	95	137	276	86	499	.827
9	Pfeffer.....	Chicago.....	17	15	64	19	98	.806
10	Rowe.....	Buffalo.....	17	9	40	14	63	.777

FIELDERS.

1	Hornung.....	Boston.....	98	175	15	13	203	.936
2	Hines.....	Providence.....	98	168	21	18	207	.913
3	Smith.....	Boston.....	29	54	3	6	63	.904
4	{ Evans.....	Cleveland.....	85	119	29	16	164	.902
4	{ Carroll.....	Providence.....	58	109	11	13	133	.902
5	Gillespie.....	New York.....	95	211	11	26	248	.895
6	Hanlon.....	Detroit.....	85	207	13	27	247	.890
7	Wood.....	".....	95	218	14	31	263	.882
8	Foley.....	Buffalo.....	23	42	2	6	50	.880
9	Weidman.....	Detroit.....	26	42	9	7	58	.879
10	Gore.....	Chicago.....	91	196	27	34	257	.867
11	{ O'Rourke.....	Buffalo.....	56	87	8	15	110	.863
11	{ Cassidy.....	Providence.....	97	120	26	23	169	.862
12	Coleman.....	Philadelphia.....	26	61	14	12	87	.862
13	York.....	Cleveland.....	97	170	15	30	215	.860
13	{ Shaffer.....	Buffalo.....	94	178	41	36	255	.858
14	Ward.....	New York.....	48	118	28	24	170	.858
14	{ Dorgan.....	".....	57	102	7	18	127	.858
15	Manning.....	Philadelphia.....	97	152	37	33	222	.851
16	Pierce.....	New York.....	17	33	1	6	40	.850
17	Purcell.....	Philadelphia.....	41	60	14	14	88	.840
18	Radford.....	Boston.....	71	87	16	20	123	.837
19	Eggler.....	Buffalo.....	37	77	4	16	97	.835
20	Lillie.....	".....	44	71	8	16	95	.831
21	Dalrymple.....	Chicago.....	80	150	12	34	196	.826
22	Hoteling.....	Cleveland.....	97	176	23	42	241	.825
23	Lewis.....	Philadelphia.....	38	84	8	21	113	.814
23	{ Doyle.....	".....	16	22	4	6	32	.812
24	{ Kelly.....	Chicago.....	74	101	38	32	171	.812
25	Harbidge.....	Philadelphia.....	45	83	7	23	113	.796
26	Whitney.....	Boston.....	32	55	7	16	78	.794
27	{ Burns.....	Detroit.....	21	18	4	7	29	.758
27	{ Mansell.....	".....	34	35	12	15	62	.758
28	Buffington.....	Boston.....	49	52	10	20	82	.756
29	Welch.....	New York.....	35	42	9	17	68	.750
30	Radbourn.....	Providence.....	15	13	3	6	22	.727
31	Richmond.....	".....	37	47	3	20	70	.714
32	Rowe.....	Buffalo.....	22	33	1	14	48	.708

CATCHERS' AVERAGES.

Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games Played.	Number Put Out.	Times Assisting.	Fielding Errors.	Passed Balls.	Total Chances.	Percentage of Chances Accepted.
1	Bennett.....	Detroit.....	65	320	84	25	41	470	.859
2	Ewing.....	New York.....	60	262	92	31	34	419	.844
3	Bushong.....	Cleveland.....	61	352	83	44	44	523	.831
4	Rowe.....	Buffalo.....	45	229	50	32	34	345	.808
5	Gilligan.....	Providence.....	72	378	107	54	74	613	.791
6	O'Rourke.....	Buffalo.....	28	128	34	13	30	205	.790
7	Briody.....	Cleveland.....	32	168	45	24	33	270	.788
8	Hackett.....	Boston.....	42	258	57	31	68	414	.760
9	Flint.....	Chicago.....	77	303	104	57	76	540	.753
10	Hines.....	Boston.....	56	382	103	61	99	645	.751
11	White.....	Buffalo.....	18	90	36	12	32	170	.741
12	Clapp.....	New York.....	15	80	31	13	26	150	.740
13	Ringo.....	Philadelphia.....	38	171	61	43	41	324	.740
13	Trott.....	Detroit.....	32	153	43	30	42	268	.731
14	Nava.....	Providence.....	26	96	40	29	23	188	.723
15	Kelly.....	Chicago.....	20	73	37	21	28	159	.691
16	Gross.....	Philadelphia.....	53	201	67	74	66	410	.658
17	Humphries.....	New York.....	16	71	3	23	31	155	.651

LEAGUE PITCHERS' RECORD.

PITCHERS' RECORD IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

NAME.	CLUB.	Games Played.	Times at Bat of Opponents.	Runs Scored by Opponents.	Average per Game.	Runs Earned by Opponents.	Average per Game.	First-Base Hits Made by Opponents.	Percentage.	Number Put Out.	Times Assisting.	Fielding Errors.	Wild Pitches.	Total Chances.	Percentage of Chances Accepted.
Burns	Detroit	15	578	118	7.86	56	3.73	169	.392	3	55	37	7	102	.568
Buffton	Boston	35	1247	169	4.82	71	2.02	310	.248	16	229	61	18	324	.756
Coleman	Philadelphia ..	63	2375	544	8.63	241	3.82	809	.314	24	189	54	13	280	.760
Corcoran	Chicago	52	1881	262	5.03	89	1.71	456	.242	40	258	90	20	417	.714
Daily	Cleveland	41	1420	170	4.14	56	1.36	341	.240	5	190	110	28	333	.583
Goldsmith	Chicago	46	1755	278	6.04	131	2.84	496	.282	26	147	55	18	216	.703
Galvin	Buffalo	73	2412	339	4.64	175	2.39	644	.267	27	367	54	25	473	.833
Hagan	Philadelphia ..	16	620	151	9.43	59	3.69	200	.322	8	49	45	27	129	.441
McCormick	Cleveland	40	1470	146	3.65	54	1.35	308	.209	15	207	82	9	313	.709
O'Neill	New York	16	589	113	7.06	39	2.43	168	.285	9	37	64	29	139	.330
Radbourne	Providence	72	2337	290	4.02	103	1.43	585	.230	42	254	72	35	403	.734
Sweeney	"	15	532	82	5.46	32	2.13	124	.233	19	53	41	16	129	.558
Shaw	Detroit	26	949	136	5.23	52	2.00	247	.280	6	81	50	6	143	.608
Weidman	"	45	1660	284	6.31	142	3.15	448	.239	25	157	75	10	267	.681
Whitney	Boston	62	2218	285	4.59	112	1.80	532	.239	15	399	41	38	493	.839
Ward	New York	33	1197	196	5.94	82	2.48	311	.259	25	125	46	20	216	.694
Welch	"	46	1673	253	5.50	102	2.21	404	.241	29	107	81	21	238	.571

BATTING AND FIELDING

Record of Clubs, Members of the National League of Professional B. B. Clubs.

SEASON OF 1883.

Rank.	NAME OF CLUB.	BATTING.										FIELDING.						
		Games Played	Games Won.	Times at Bat.	Runs Scored.	Average per Game.	Runs Earned.	Average per Game.	First Bases.	Percentage.	Total Bases.	Average per Game.	Number Put Out.	Times Assisting.	Fielding Errors.	"Passed Balls" and "Wild Pitches."	Total Chances.	Percentage of Chances Accepted.
1	Boston	98	63	3657	668	6.81	310	3.16	1010	.276	1481	15.11	2581	1610	491	223	4905	.832
2	Chicago	98	59	3658	680	6.93	286	2.91	1000	.273	1420	14.48	2570	1592	665	148	4975	.836
3	Providence ..	98	58	3685	634	6.47	265	2.70	1001	.271	1357	13.84	2602	1445	526	158	4731	.825
4	Cleveland ...	97	55	3373	464	4.78	164	1.69	830	.246	1081	11.14	2379	1512	608	140	4839	.845
5	Buffalo	97	52	3690	603	6.21	270	2.78	1044	.282	1346	13.87	2584	1514	542	169	4809	.832
6	New York...	96	46	3476	527	5.49	200	2.08	892	.256	1220	12.70	2517	1296	629	177	4619	.825
7	Detroit	98	40	3603	498	5.08	172	1.75	892	.247	1163	11.86	2589	1443	630	118	4780	.843
8	Philadelphia	98	17	3541	439	4.47	157	1.60	850	.240	1116	11.39	2567	1363	740	187	4387	.810
..	Total	780	390	28683	4513	5.78	1824	2.33	7519	.262	10184	13.05	20589	11805	4831	1320	38545	.844

SCHEDULE OF LEAGUE GAMES FOR 1884.

1884.	At Chicago.	At Detroit.	At Cleveland.	At Buffalo.	At Boston.	At Providence.	At New York.	At Philad ^a .
Chicago.		June 11	May 21	May 24	May 13	May 10	May 1	May 3
		" 12	" 22	" 26	" 14	" 12	" 2	" 5
		" 13	" 23	" 27	" 17	" 15	" 6	" 8
		" 14	June 18	June 16	" 19	" 16	" 7	" 9
	July 11	" 19	" 17	Aug. 19	Aug. 21	Sept. 2	Sept. 8	" 10
Detroit.	" 12	July 22	July 17	" 20	" 23	" 3	" 4	" 11
	" 14	" 23	" 18	" 26	" 27	" 4	" 6	" 13
	" 15	" 24	" 19	" 30	" 28	" 6	" 8	" 1
	May 29		May 24	May 21	May 10	May 13	May 3	May 1
	" 30		" 26	" 22	" 12	" 14	" 5	" 2
Cleveland.	† " 30		" 27	" 23	" 15	" 17	" 8	" 6
	" 31		June 16	June 18	" 16	" 19	" 9	" 7
	July 26		July 17	July 19	Aug. 21	Aug. 19	Sept. 9	Sept. 7
	" 28		July 17	July 22	" 23	" 30	" 10	" 3
	" 29		" 18	" 23	" 27	" 26	" 11	" 4
Buffalo.	" 30		" 19	" 24	" 28	" 30	" 13	" 6
	June 6	June 2		June 11	May 3	May 1	May 10	May 13
	" 7	" 3		" 12	" 5	" 2	" 12	" 14
	" 9	" 4		" 13	" 8	" 6	" 15	" 17
	" 10	" 5		" 14	" 9	" 7	" 16	" 19
Boston.	Aug. 2	Aug. 9		July 26	Sept. 2	Sept. 4	Aug. 26	Aug. 19
	" 4	" 11		" 28	" 3	" 6	" 27	" 20
	" 5	" 12		" 29	" 9	" 10	" 28	" 22
	" 6	" 13		" 30	" 13	" 11	" 30	" 23
	June 2	June 6	May 29		May 1	May 3	May 13	May 10
Providence.	" 3	" 7	" 30		" 2	" 5	" 14	" 12
	" 4	" 9	† " 30		" 6	" 8	" 17	" 15
	" 5	" 10	" 31		" 7	" 9	" 19	" 16
	Aug. 9	Aug. 2	July 11		Sept. 4	Sept. 2	Aug. 19	Aug. 25
	" 11	" 4	" 12		" 6	" 3	" 20	" 27
New York.	" 12	" 5	" 14		" 10	" 9	" 21	" 28
	" 13	" 6	" 15		" 11	" 13	" 23	" 30
	June 21	June 26	July 5	July 1		June 6	May 23	May 20
	" 23	" 27	" 7	" 2		" 9	" 25	" 21
	" 24	" 28	" 8	" 3		" 11	" 27	" 24
Phil'a.	" 25	" 30	† " 30			" 13	" 28	" 26
	Sept. 16	Sept. 23	Sept. 30	Oct. 7		July 12	July 26	July 29
	" 17	" 24	Oct. 1	" 8		" 15	" 28	" 30
	" 18	" 25	" 2	" 9		Aug. 11	Aug. 2	Aug. 5
	" 20	" 27	" 4	" 11		" 13	" 4	" 6
Phil'a.	June 26	June 21	July 1	July 5	June 7		May 20	May 22
	" 27	" 23	" 2	" 8	" 10		" 21	" 23
	" 28	" 24	" 3	" 9	" 12		" 24	" 27
	" 30	" 25	† " 4	" 11	" 14		" 26	" 28
	Sept. 23	Sept. 16	Oct. 7	Sept. 30	July 11		July 29	July 26
Phil'a.	" 24	" 17	" 8	Oct. 1	" 14		" 30	" 23
	" 25	" 18	" 9	" 2	Aug. 9		Aug. 5	Aug. 2
	" 27	" 20	" 11	" 4	" 12		" 6	" 4
	July 5	June 26	June 21	July 1	May 30	May 29	June 6	June 9
	" 7	" 27	" 2	" 3	" 31	" 30	" 7	" 10
Phil'a.	" 8	" 4	" 28	" 24	June 4	June 2	" 13	" 13
	" 9	" 4	" 30	" 25	" 5	" 3	" 14	" 14
	Sept. 30	Oct. 7	Sept. 16	Sept. 23	June 16	† June 17	July 14	July 14
	Oct. 1	" 8	" 17	" 24	" 17	" 18	July 15	July 15
	" 2	" 9	" 18	" 25	July 19	July 18	Aug. 11	Aug. 11
Phil'a.	" 4	" 11	" 20	" 27	" 24	" 23	" 12	" 12
	July 1	July 5	June 21	June 26	May 29	† May 30	June 6	June 7
	" 2	" 7	" 23	" 27	" 30	" 31	" 11	" 12
	† " 4	" 8	" 24	" 28	June 2	June 4	" 11	" 12
	" 4	" 9	" 25	" 30	" 3	" 5	" 12	" 13
Phil'a.	Oct. 7	Sept. 30	Sept. 23	Sept. 16	† " 17	" 16	July 11	July 11
	" 8	Oct. 1	" 24	" 17	" 18	" 19	July 12	July 12
	" 9	" 2	" 25	" 18	July 18	July 19	Aug. 9	Aug. 9
	" 11	" 4	" 27	" 20	" 23	" 24	" 13	" 13

* A. M. † P. M.

THE NATIONAL AGREEMENT OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL ASSOCIATIONS.

The parties hereto, in consideration of the mutual advantages to be derived therefrom, agree each with the other, as follows:

FIRST: When a player under contract by any Club member of any party hereto, is expelled, blacklisted, or suspended, in accordance with its rules, by such party hereto, notice of such disqualification shall be served upon the secretaries of the other Associations, parties hereto, by the Secretary of the Association from whose Club such player shall have been thus disqualified; and the Secretaries of such other Associations shall forthwith serve notice of such disqualification upon the Club members of such other Associations, and from the receipt of such notice, all Club members of all the parties hereto, shall be debarred from employing or playing with, or against, such disqualified player, until the period of disqualification shall have terminated, or the disqualification be revoked by the Association from which such player was disqualified, and due notice of such revocation served upon the Secretaries of the other Associations, and by them upon their respective Clubs: *Provided*, That if such disqualification terminates or is revoked on or after the expiration of the player's contract, such player shall not be eligible to contract with any Club until the expiration of ten days from the date of mailing of written notice of such termination or revocation by the Association Secretary, to the Secretaries of the other parties hereto, and such date of mailing shall be specified in such Secretary's notice to the other Secretaries, and by all the Secretaries in their notices to the Clubs of their respective Associations.

SECOND: No contract shall be made for the services of any player by any Club member of either of the parties hereto for a longer period than seven months, beginning April 1st, and terminating October 31st, and no such contract for services to be rendered after the expiration of the current year shall be made prior to the 20th day of October of such year, nor shall any negotiation be entered into by or between any Club or agent thereof, and any player, for services to be rendered in an ensuing year, prior to the said 20th day of October.

THIRD: On the 5th day of October of each year, each Club member of the parties hereto, shall transmit to the Secretary of its Association, a list of names of any players, not exceeding eleven in number, on that date under contract with such Club, which such Club desires to reserve for the ensuing year, accompanied by a statement over the signature of the Secretary of such Club, that such Club is willing to pay not less than one thousand dollars (except an Eastern League Club, whose

minimum shall be eight hundred dollars, or a Northwestern League Club, whose minimum shall be seven hundred and fifty dollars) as the compensation of each player so reserved, in the contract to be made with him for the ensuing season. And the Secretary of each Association shall, on the 10th day of October, transmit to the Secretaries of the other Associations, parties hereto, a full list of players thus reserved. The Secretary of each Association shall, thereupon, on the 15th day of October, transmit to each Club member of such Association a full list of all players so reserved by all Clubs then composing the Associations, parties hereto, and no Club member of either of the parties hereto shall contract, negotiate with, or employ any player while so reserved by any other Club member of either of the parties hereto. Such reservation shall terminate when the reserving Club enters into contract with the reserved player, or releases him from such reservation, or disbands, or is expelled by or resigns from its Association, party hereto, without entering into such contract, or releasing such player from such reservation.

FOURTH: Any contract between a Club member of any of the parties hereto and a player, made in accordance with the provisions of this agreement, shall be deemed valid and binding, and all other Clubs shall be debarred from employing or negotiating with such player during the continuance of such contract; unless it remains in force on October 20th, when such player may be negotiated or contracted with for the ensuing season if not reserved as provided by this agreement; provided that such contract shall be considered to take effect upon receipt of written notice thereof by the Club members of the parties hereto, and the transmission of such notice by the respective Secretaries of the parties hereto, each to the other, and to their respective Clubs, is hereby made mandatory upon said Secretaries; and such notice must follow immediately upon receipt of the contracting Club's notice, in any form complying with its Association's rules, to the Secretary of the Association to which such contracting Club belongs.

FIFTH: In case any Club member of any party hereto, holding a player under reservation or by contract, shall release such player from such reservation or such contract, or shall disband or resign from or be expelled by its Association, the Secretary of such Association shall at once notify by mail in writing the Secretaries of the other Associations, parties hereto, of such release of the player, or disbandment, resignation or expulsion of the Club, as the case may be, and such player shall not be eligible to contract with any other Club until the expiration of ten days from the date of mailing of such written notice by the Secretary of the Association of which such releasing or retired Club is or was a member, and such date of

mailing shall be specified in such Secretary's notice to the other Secretaries, and by all the Secretaries in their notices to the Clubs of their respective Associations.

SIXTH: No Umpire or Club Manager under contract in any Association, party hereto, shall be employed in or by any other Association, party hereto, for service as umpire, manager or player, for the term of such contract or any part thereof, unless duly released from such contract; and the Secretary of each Association shall notify the Secretaries of all other Associations, parties hereto, of all contracts with, and releases of, Umpires and Club Managers.

SEVENTH: No Club that was not a member of any party hereto, on the 10th day of October, 1883, shall be entitled to membership in any party hereto, or be admitted to membership by any party hereto, from any city or town in which, on that date, any Club member of any party hereto was located (except that the preceding provisions of this Section shall not apply to the Monumental Club of Baltimore, Maryland), and any Club member of any party hereto, shall forfeit all rights and privileges conferred by this agreement in the event of its removal from the city or town where located when admitted to membership by any party hereto, provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prohibit any Club member of any party hereto from resigning its membership in any party hereto, and being admitted to membership in any other party hereto, with all rights and privileges conferred by this agreement.

EIGHTH: No game of ball shall be played between any Club member of any party hereto, and any other Club that employs, or presents in its nine, any player held by reservation or contract by any Club member of any party hereto under the terms of this agreement, or disqualified by any party hereto, nor shall any Club member of any party hereto play against any Club that shall have, at any time during the same playing season, played a game of ball with any other Club employing or presenting in its nine any player ineligible, as specified in this section. *Provided*, That in case the Club employing such ineligible player shall discharge him from its service, Club members of the parties hereto may thereafter play against such Club, and against other Clubs that may have played such Club while employing such player.

NINTH: Any disputes or complaints arising out of the performance of the stipulations of this agreement, and any alleged violations of this agreement; also, any question of interpretation of any stipulation of this agreement, shall be referred to an Arbitration Committee, to consist of three representatives of each party hereto, to be appointed prior to the 31st day of March, in each year, by the parties hereto. Notice of such ap-

pointment to be served upon the Secretaries of each Association; and the decision of such Arbitration Committee upon such matters, or any of them, shall be final and binding upon the parties hereto.

TENTH: The term of service of each member of the Arbitration Committee shall be one year, ending March 31st, and any vacancy arising in said committee shall be filled by the party hereto in whose delegation such vacancy occurs. Any party hereto shall also have the right to change its representation in such committee at any time.

ELEVENTH: The Arbitration Committee shall have power to inflict upon any Club member of any party hereto, the penalty of forfeiture of all rights and privileges derived by such Club from this agreement, for the violation by such Club of any of the stipulations or requirements of this agreement, and such forfeiture shall take effect upon the receipt by the Secretaries of the parties hereto of a certificate of the findings and verdict of the Arbitration Committee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties have, by the President of each of the parties hereto, thereunto duly authorized, signed this agreement on the dates set opposite their respective signatures.

A. G. MILLS,

Prest. National League of P. B. B. C., Nov. 22.

H. D. MCKNIGHT,

Prest. American Association, of P. B. B. C., Dec. 13.

ELIAS MATTER,

Prest. Northwestern League, of P. B. B. C. Jan. 10, 1884.

W. C. SEDDON,

Prest. Eastern League, of P. B. B. C. Feb. 19, 1884.

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


The first Catcher's Mask brought out in 1875, was a very heavy, clumsy affair, and it was not until we invented our open-eyed mask in 1877 that it came into general use. Now it would be considered unsafe and even dangerous for a catcher to face the swift underhand throwing of the present day unless protected by a reliable mask. The increased demand for these goods has brought manufacturers into the field who, having no reputation to sustain, have vied with each other to see how *cheap* they could make a so-

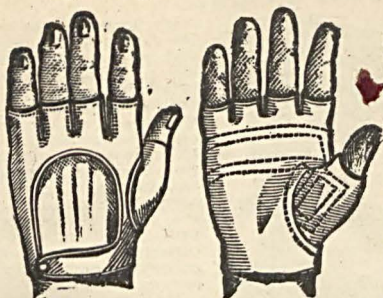
called mask, and in consequence have ignored the essential qualification, *strength*. A cheaply made, inferior quality of mask is much worse than no protection at all, for a broken wire or one that will not stand the force of the ball without caving in, is liable to disfigure a player for life. We would warn catchers not to trust their faces behind one of these *cheap* made masks. Our trade-marked masks are made of the very best hard wire, plated to prevent rusting, and well trimmed, and every one is a thorough face protector. We shall make them in three grades as described below, and with our increased facilities for manufacturing, are enabled to improve the quality, and at the same time reduce the price.

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
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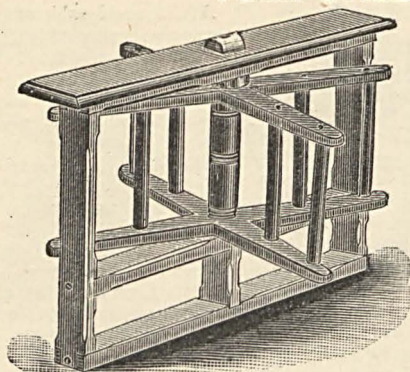
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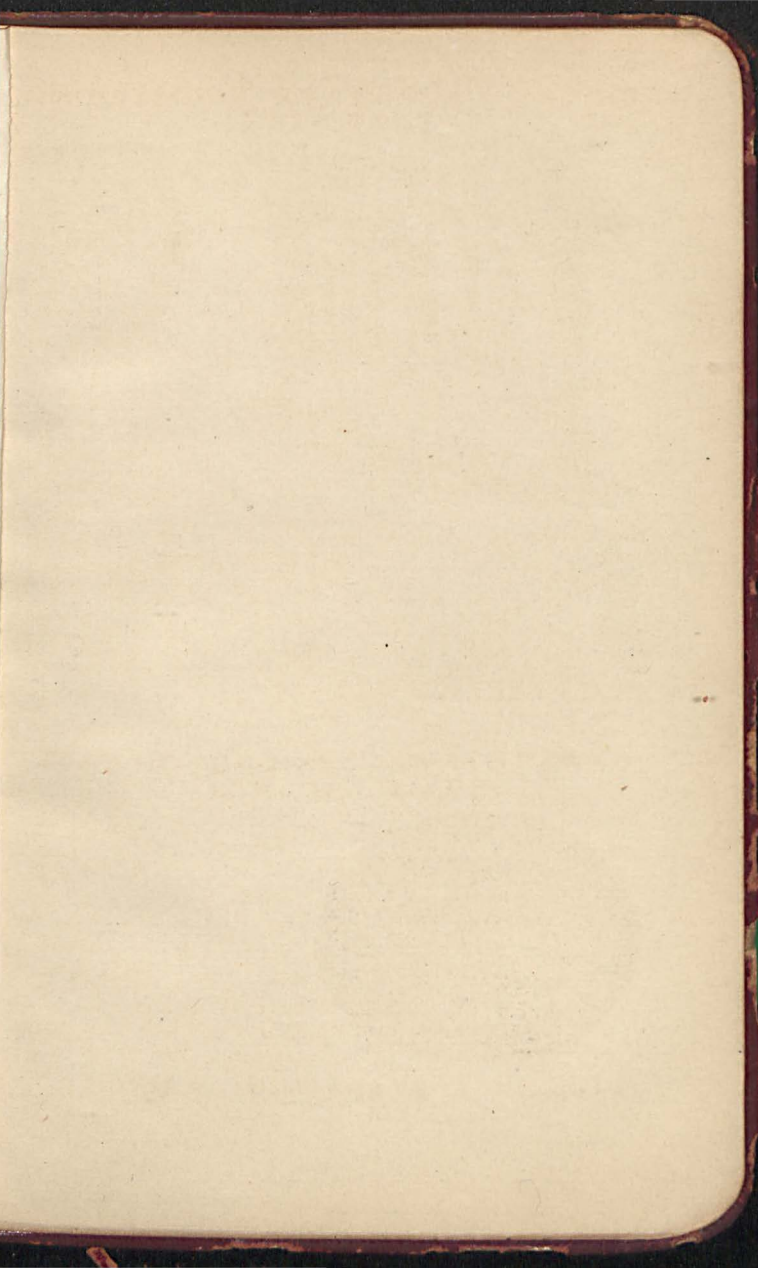


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